

Along the Coast

A LINE IN THE SAND

At issue is whether building should continue east of Coastal Construction Line

By Jane Smith and Michelle Quigley

If a major hurricane were to hit the barrier island in southern Palm Beach County, \$6.4 billion in mansions and condos sitting east of A1A would likely be damaged or destroyed.

Would the property owners be allowed to rebuild?

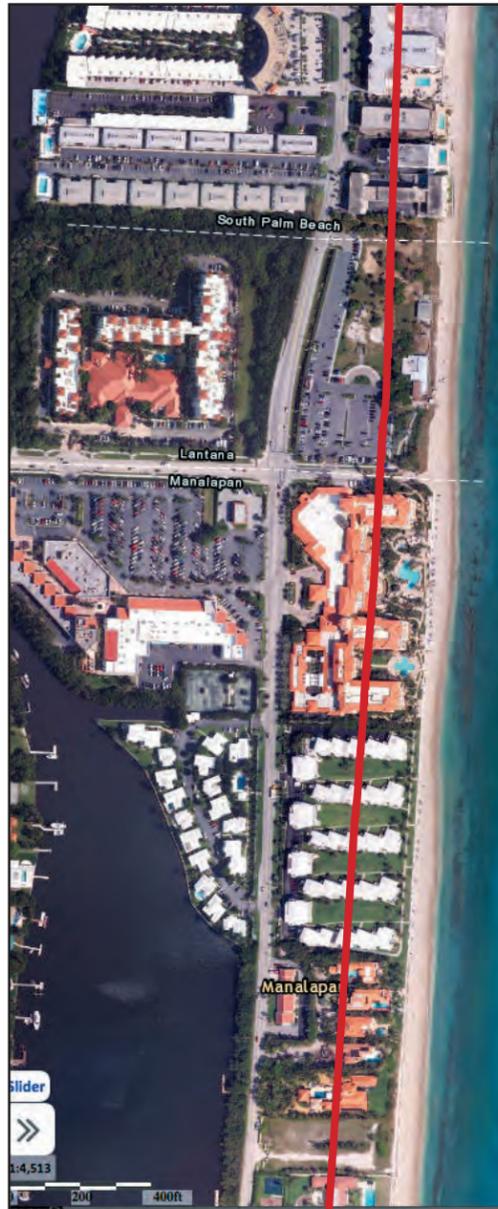
Yes, if the past is an indication.

The state has OK'd nearly all applications to build seaward of what is called the Coastal Construction Control Line in the past 10 years, according to a local spokeswoman for the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

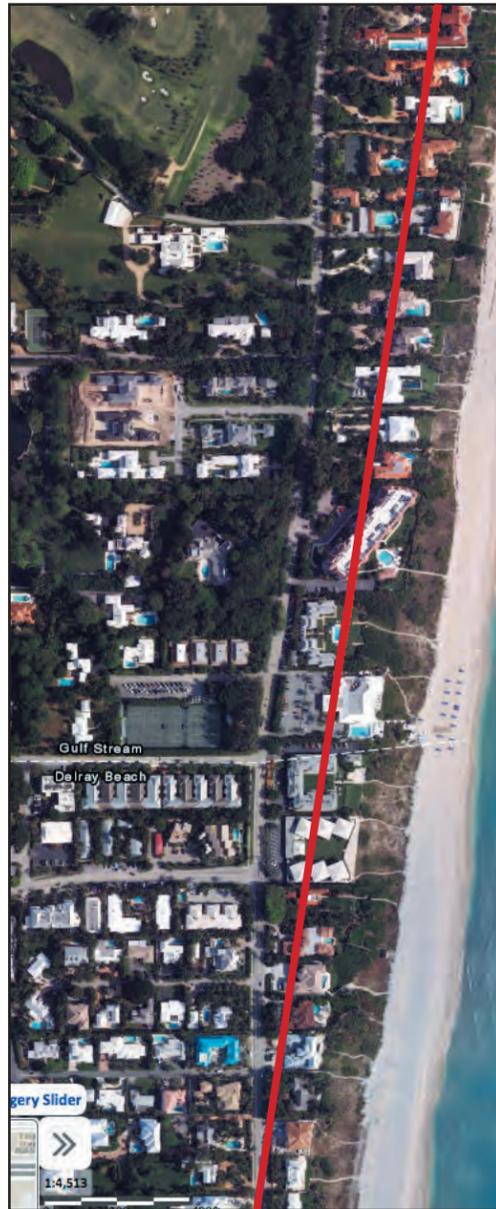
The mansions and condos, including sea walls and swimming pools, lie perilously close to the ocean. Some of the pools and sea walls washed away in October 2012 when Hurricane Sandy brushed the South Florida coast.

"This is criminal," said Harold Wanless, professor and department chairman of geological sciences at the University of Miami. "Someone should be brought up on charges because it affects the health, safety

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LEFT: Parts of Eau Palm Beach Resort & Spa (center) lie within the Coastal Construction Control Line in this aerial image showing South Palm Beach and Manalapan. **RIGHT:** Most of the homes east of A1A in the south end of Gulf Stream and northern Delray Beach are seaward of the Coastal Construction Control Line. **State of Florida Maps**



Delray Beach

Police add counselor for addicts, others in need

By Rich Pollack

Soon after she arrived in Delray Beach as the Police Department's new community mental health counselor, Ariana Ciancio did something no one else from the city had time to do before.

She met with a longtime homeless woman well known to police officers throughout the



Ciancio

city, sat down on a garbage bag next to her and mainly listened. Before their 45-minute conversation was over, Ciancio had learned a lot about the woman, her background and even about her family members, some of whom Ciancio has since contacted.

At the same time, Ciancio was building a relationship based on trust and letting the woman know that the city now had someone there to help, if she wanted or needed it.

"It was just a very comfortable, candid conversation," she said.

For Ciancio, a licensed mental health counselor and certified addiction professional

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Delray Beach

Delray native gives back as Atlantic coach

By Janis Fontaine

From Delray to Dallas and back, Tavarius "T.J." Jackson is a success story.

Jackson earned his way from the Delray Beach housing projects to a chance with the Dallas Cowboys, one of the best franchises in the NFL.

Now he's Coach Jackson and leads the football program at Atlantic High School in Delray Beach, working with kids who

live in the same neighborhood in which he grew up.

The former Olympic Heights High School star's dream to play for coach Steve Spurrier at the University of Florida collapsed because he couldn't perform in the classroom the way he could on the football field.

That could have been the end for him as an athlete, but with the support of his parents, Jackson brought his test scores up and did get

a college scholarship — at Virginia Tech, where he earned a bachelor's degree and played linebacker. After he graduated, the Cowboys picked him up as a free agent in 2003.

That didn't work out, but it affirmed to Jackson that his education was just as important as athletic ability. It's a common lesson. Every year, athletes who squeaked by in high school —

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Atlantic High coach T.J. Jackson grew up in Delray Beach amid hardship some of his players face. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

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Coastal Star

Boca construction mogul has built a reputation as a philanthropist

By Rich Pollack

Were it not for his inability to grasp college chemistry, Mike Kaufman might have become an athletic trainer for a professional sports team rather than president of one of South Florida's most successful construction companies as well as a leader in corporate philanthropy.

An athlete while at South Broward High School in Hollywood, Kaufman went on to the University of Florida with his heart set on becoming an NFL trainer.

Then he met the periodic table and decided it was time to move in a different direction.

He changed his major to the university's building and construction program. It appealed to him for two reasons. The first was that he learned a lot from his dad, who was handy and could fix anything. The second reason was more, ah, elementary.

"I looked it up and it didn't require chemistry," Kaufman said.

Now president of Boca Raton-based Kaufman Lynn Construction, he will be honored when his company is recognized with a George Long Award at this year's Boca Raton Mayor's Ball on Oct. 14.

Named for Boca Raton's first appointed mayor, the annual award recognizes visionary individuals or organizations that have left an indelible mark on the city.

Since its founding in 1989 with crew of 10, Kaufman Lynn has grown into a multimillion-dollar company with 130 associates.

While becoming one of the top 400 construction companies in the country, it has made a significant philanthropic contribution to improving the community.

With a focus on arts, education and early childhood development, the company has supported several organizations and institutions, including the George Snow Scholarship Fund, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Helping Hands and the Florence Fuller Child Development Centers. Kaufman also is a member of the Florida Council of 100, an organization of business leaders that serves as an advisory board to Florida's governor.

"If you're going to have a successful business with motivated associates, you have to be part of the community," Kaufman says. "We have been supporting the community for all the right reasons for the last 15 years, whether we made money that year or not."



Mike Kaufman at last year's Mayor's Ball. Photo by Gina Fontana

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That commitment to doing the right thing, even when inconvenient, has been the foundation on which Kaufman Lynn is built. It is a deep part of the company's culture and one of the reasons for its success.

"Good character defines us," Kaufman says. "This is absolutely a company of integrity."

Kaufman, 58, leads by example, making it a point to treat customers, subcontractors and associates the way he wants to be treated.

"Everyone deserves the respect you ask for yourself," he says. "No one is below you, no one is above you."

Part of that attitude may exist because Kaufman, an east Boca Raton resident, struggled in his career for a short time before finding success.

After graduating from UF, he landed a job as an estimator with one of Broward County's leading contractors. He soaked in everything he could learn, making lifelong friends along the way. He left after three years to join an out-of-state firm

seeking to make an impact in South Florida.

It turned out to be a mistake and within a short time, Kaufman found himself out of a job, right in the middle of a significant economic downturn.

With a wife, two kids and another on the way to support, he traded in his pride-and-joy Porsche 911 for a 1988 Chevy pickup and started Michael I. Kaufman construction, doing any work he could find — including small carpentry jobs — to bring in revenue.

Through a college buddy, Joe Lynn, Kaufman landed a large subcontracting job working on a new stadium at the University of Miami. He hired a crew of 10 to help him. To make payroll, he borrowed \$12,000 from his mother-in-law, whom he was able to pay back a few years later when he teamed up with Lynn to form Kaufman Lynn Construction.

Though Joe Lynn left the company and retired after 10 years, Kaufman kept the name. He will soon move to a 23,000-square-foot building just over the Boca Raton line in Delray Beach that will be the company's new headquarters.

Kaufman Lynn's success in the highly competitive South Florida construction industry in large part may be due to Kaufman's determination and tireless work ethic.

"I still have the same aspiration — to do it bigger, better and best in class," he said. ★

Editor's Note

Grateful for vacation

We went on vacation. That may not sound like much to you, but for the "family" behind a family newspaper it's a big, big deal. It's not often we have the chance to take a break from our monthly production schedule.

We couldn't have done it without the able assistance of our key editorial and production assistants. They worked hard while we were traversing the Pacific Northwest in search of the totality of the solar eclipse, and their competence made returning to the grind of deadline much easier than expected.

I should have known we were leaving the newspaper in good hands. Each year their freelance contributions to *The Coastal Star* garner accolades from professional news organizations across the state (see story below).

These folks are pros at what they do. Most (like me and my husband) are showing a little gray these days, but they each believe in the importance of community journalism. And for that (and my vacation), I am grateful.



— Mary Kate Leming,
Editor

State press group gives 'Coastal Star' 10 awards

The Coastal Star earned five first-place awards, three seconds and two thirds in the Florida Press Association's Better Weekly Newspapers competition.

First place-honors went to Scott Simmons, Jerry Lower, Tracy Allerton and Steve Plunkett for overall graphic design; to Hiram Henriquez for a two-page informational graphic on lionfish; and to Steve Plunkett in the local government reporting category for a story about the Greater Boca Raton Beach & Park District's longtime lawyer also working as its executive director and construction administrator.

Mary Hladky's story about four friends at Saltwater Brewery in Delray Beach who invented a biodegradable alternative to plastic rings, won first place in business reporting; and Ron Hayes took first in education reporting for a feature about Gulf Stream School students learning geometry and statistics via a field trip to a Miami Marlins baseball game.

Taking second-place awards were Executive Editor Mary Kate Leming in the editorial category for columns on the sober home crisis; Deborah S. Hartz-Seeley in agricultural and environmental reporting for a column about efforts to repopulate Delray Beach with native plants; and Lona O'Connor in health, medical and science reporting for a story about a Boca Raton woman's fight against cancer.

Third-place prizes went to Janis Fontaine in faith and family reporting for a story about a Boca Raton congregation turning \$8,000 into \$30,000 in donations; and ArtsPaper Editor Greg Stepanich in arts, entertainment and review reporting for an interview with the former director of Arts Garage.

The annual contest received 1,154 entries from 56 newspapers. *The Coastal Star* competed in the nondaily over-15,000 circulation category, for the largest newspapers. ★

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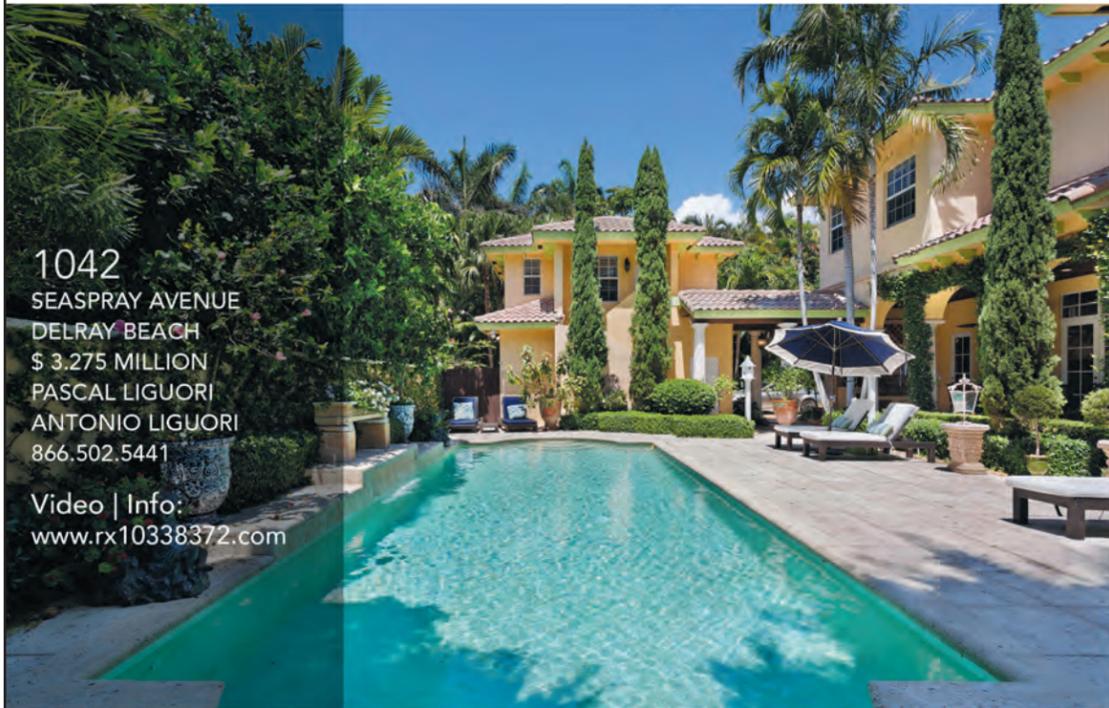
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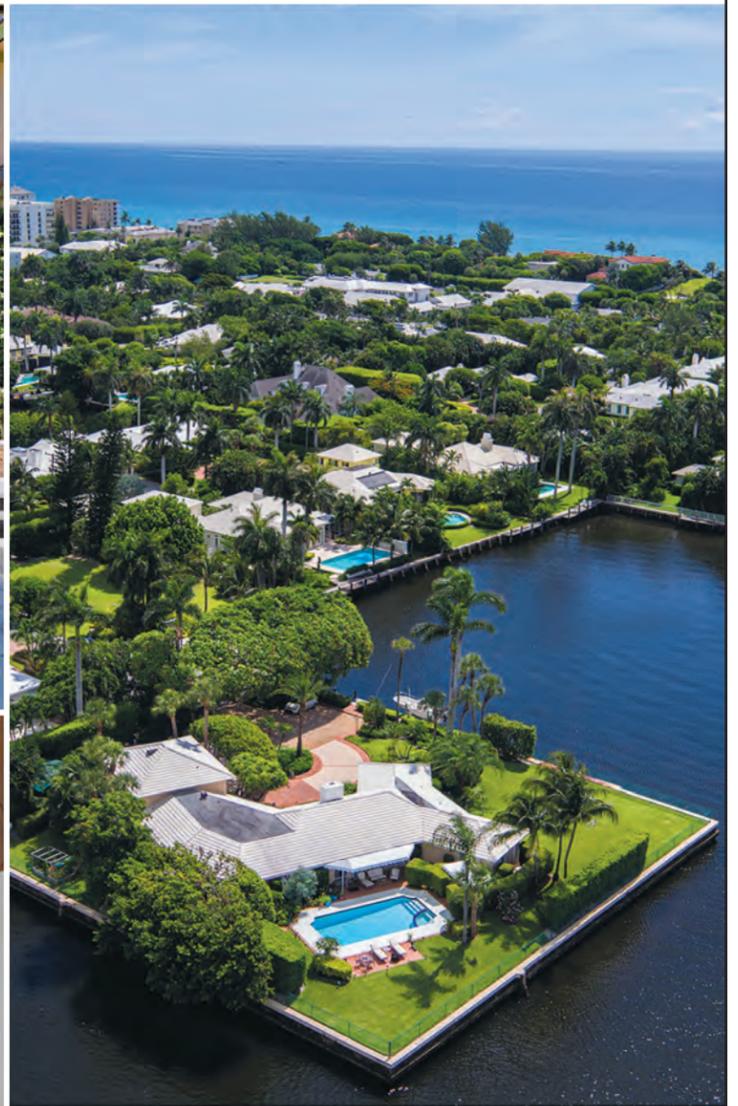
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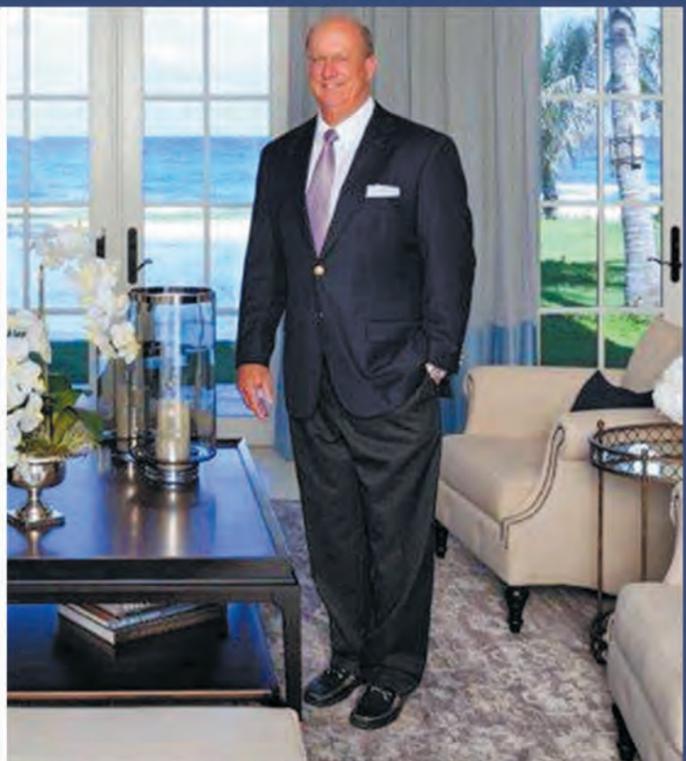
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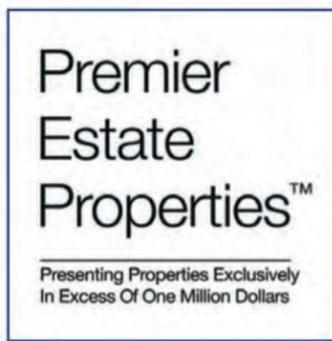


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Along the Coast

Eau threatens to sue over South Palm groin plan

By Dan Moffett

In a sharply worded letter, an attorney for the Eau Palm Beach Resort & Spa has warned South Palm Beach Mayor Bonnie Fischer that the town can expect a lawsuit if it goes forward with plans to install groins on its beach.

West Palm Beach attorney Gregory Coleman said that the resort shares the concerns of Manalapan officials that using groins in the South Palm shoreline stabilization project will disrupt the natural flow of sand and damage beaches to the south.

Coleman, former president of the Palm Beach County Bar Association, told Fischer in the letter sent in late July that the Eau is prepared to go to court to stop the project:

“This letter is to place the town and adjacent property owners on notice that if you proceed with your groyne (sic) implementation strategy, and our property suffers detrimentally as a result of your groynes, then we will proceed against any and all responsible persons, entities or municipalities, to recover monetary damages for our financial loss.”

Manalapan Mayor Keith Waters in recent weeks has suggested his town would take similar legal action, as Palm Beach County and South Palm Beach have begun work on obtaining the permits necessary to get their joint project started by November 2018.

Eleven years in the making, the \$5 million plan calls for

installing seven concrete groins from the northern South Palm Beach line to Lantana’s municipal beach to slow the erosion that encroaches on the town’s condo buildings.

Waters and Coleman cite the experience of Hillsboro Beach in Broward County as compelling justification to oppose the project. Deerfield Beach installed dozens of groins in the 1960s and Hillsboro, its neighbor to the south, has been losing its beachfront ever since, the critics say. The two municipalities are fighting out their dispute over stolen sand in court, with millions in damages at stake.

Fischer has expressed optimism that South Palm’s project can move forward without legal delays. She says her town’s project bears little resemblance to what Deerfield Beach did.

The mayor said she has talked to County Commissioner Steven Abrams and their hope is that the Eau and Manalapan will drop their opposition if they take a closer look. “If engineers come and have them understand the project, [Abrams] feels it can move forward,” Fischer said.

Bob Vitas, the South Palm town manager, says the fate of the plan is uncertain until opponents are satisfied.

“We don’t know whether they’re going to litigate and literally create a delay in the project,” Vitas said. “Any litigation is going to stop that project cold.” ★

Letter to the Editor

Visions of snorkeling over South Palm Beach

Once again we are talking about beach sand and how what one town does affects others. There is no doubt at all that the groins South Palm wants to build will prevent some sand from reaching points south. Not being a lawyer, I have no clue whether other towns have a right to that sand, which may or may not actually wind up on their shores.

We better get used to this. I have seen severe erosion along our coast since the '60s when A1A was washed out in north Delray Beach. For the most part, the more natural coastline maintains itself fairly well. Where you have the major issues are where seawalls line the beach, as in Manalapan, or where condos are built too far east, as in South Palm Beach.

Many people don’t know that new sand production was drastically curtailed in the 1930s, when the Tennessee

Valley Authority was created and dams were built along the Appalachians to produce electricity. The quartz rocks that were crushed into sand as they were swept downstream — and eventually into the Gulf of Mexico — were no longer able to make that journey, and as a result much of Florida’s sand was not created anymore.

We can be sure that is going to be the case for any foreseeable future.

It is probably too late for more intelligent building decisions helping this issue and it will remain an economic decision as to the value of beaches and who will pay for them.

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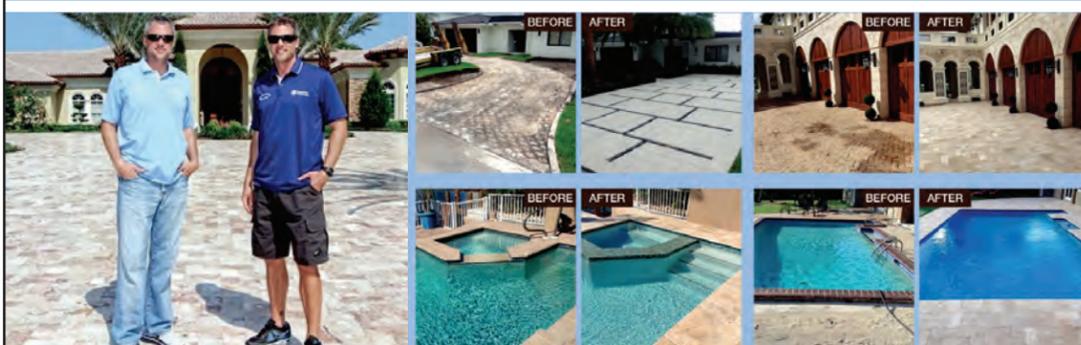
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Ocean Ridge

Ocean Ridge plans to beef up Police Department

Plans for license tag cameras still on hold

By Dan Moffett

Ocean Ridge town commissioners have decided to add two patrol officers and a dispatcher to their Police Department to deal with the growing stream of beach visitors from across the bridge.

A 6 percent increase in the town's taxable property values from 2016 makes the police expansion possible, though commissioners and Police Chief Hal Hutchins won't get everything they'd like to have — including license plate recognition cameras, Tasers and body cameras.

During an Aug. 22 budget workshop, the commission

agreed to lower the town's tax rate from \$5.35 per \$1,000 of taxable property value to \$5.25, reducing total revenues by about \$85,000. The reduction is made possible because of a surplus of about \$186,000 left unspent from the 2016-2017 budget.

However, homeowners will still pay slightly more, about 3 percent, during the next fiscal year than the last one because of property appreciation. The rollback rate that would keep revenues flat is \$5.08 per \$1,000.

The decision to hold off on installing LPR cameras will save the town about \$225,000 but comes with a cost in public opinion. For years, many residents have called for the commission to install the devices to tighten security throughout the town.

Hutchins said his position on the camera system has evolved

and he now believes the priority should be adding officers. He hinted that the town might be able to do better shopping for the cameras later but declined to disclose why publicly.

"Are we over-hiring? That is my question," Mayor Geoff Pugh asked.

"I need to be very, very candid right now with all of you. We are not in fact over-hiring," Hutchins responded. "The activity levels we're seeing on the law enforcement side are increasing every day, based upon outside forces that we can't control. There's an anticipation that there's going to be exponential growth within a block of this building [Town Hall] very soon. We need to address that."

The chief said new residential developments in Boynton Beach, Delray Beach and Lantana

ensure that the two officers and dispatcher will be kept busy. The three new positions will cost the town about \$180,000. Hutchins said a proposal to hire part-time officers won't work because he has been unable to find qualified applicants who are willing to work when the town needs them.

The three new hires would increase the department's number of full-time employees to 24, which includes the chief, dispatchers and uniformed officers. Their annual salaries amount to about \$1.4 million and the town pays another \$270,500 in pension contributions.

The commission will hold public hearings on the proposed budget on Sept. 11 and Sept. 21, each beginning at 6 p.m.

In other business, on a 4-1 vote, commissioners decided to

approve changing the current one-year contract for Town Manager Jamie Titcomb to a month-to-month agreement.

Several commissioners have complained about errors in Titcomb's budget work over the last two years. The manager has countered that he inherited budget practices that were outdated and needed an overhaul. Titcomb said obsolete computer software and personnel turnover made the improvements he implemented more difficult.

The new contract arrangement doesn't affect Titcomb's \$107,000 yearly salary or benefits, but does reduce the severance the town would owe him, should the commission decide to end the relationship.

Commissioner Gail Askov voted against the new contract, saying it was unnecessary. ★

P&Z board approves plan to improve inlet park

By Dan Moffett

County parks and recreation officials have been trying for years to put together enough money to give a much-needed overhaul to Ocean Inlet Park Marina at the Boynton Inlet.

With a boost from the penny sales tax increase voters approved in November and some government grant money, a \$6 million renovation plan is finally moving forward.

The bad news is that it's moving very slowly.

Eric Call, the Palm Beach County director of parks and recreation, says his department has a backlog of projects and the Ocean Inlet Park renovation may not begin until 2023.

But Call says he's hopeful the county can reorganize other projects according to priority, and perhaps start work on the inlet marina upgrade within the next three years.

In fact, on Aug. 14 it cleared one of its first administrative hurdles when the Ocean Ridge Planning and Zoning Commission unanimously approved plans drawn up by the county's consultant, Alan Gerwig & Associates of Wellington.

The Ocean Ridge Town Commission is expected to give its approval at the Sept. 11 town meeting.

Project designers have

emphasized two important points: The park hasn't had significant work done since it opened 30 years ago, so a major facelift is needed; and the overhaul won't increase the park's capacity or increase traffic.

"The proposed improvements at the park will not add any additional facilities or expand existing facilities," according to the county consultant's plan. "Therefore, the number of park users is not expected to change from the current conditions."

Among the project's main features:

- Replacing the existing marina structures with new bulkhead walls and docks. The total number of boat slips will remain at 28. A floating wave attenuator will protect the marina from waves and boat wakes.

- Demolishing the existing buildings and replacing them with a single building that will include a second-story residence for a dockmaster/caretaker. "Having a PBC Parks employee based in the park will help with traffic control and security issues," the consultant says.

- County sheriff's personnel will continue to be stationed in the new building.

- Plans also call for improved landscaping that includes planting of shade trees for picnic areas and footpaths. ★

Briny Breezes

Big changes afoot in Briny

By Dan Moffett

The Briny Breezes Town Council is moving forward with two changes that will significantly restructure the way the town has conducted business throughout its 54-year history.

For one, the council voted 4-1 during its Aug. 24 meeting to create the position of part-time town manager, a move that would end Briny's status as the only municipality in Palm Beach County — and probably the state — without some type of executive administrator.

And, with a unanimous 5-0 vote, the council decided to solicit proposals for legal services, a move that could mean that, for the first time, Briny has a town attorney who isn't named Skrandel.

John Skrandel has held the attorney position since the death of his father, Jerome F. Skrandel, in 2013. The elder Skrandel signed on as the town's attorney in 1975 after previously representing the Briny corporation. Together, the Skrandels have had a hand in writing or rewriting virtually every ordinance and regulation in the town's books.

In recent months, however, the council has drawn criticism from residents

and the corporate board for spending too much on legal fees, and much of that blame spilled over on John Skrandel.

Mayor Jack Lee has been one of the harshest critics, claiming Skrandel charged the town too much for research and services that were unnecessary. Lee also criticized the council for considering a proposal to hire a magistrate to resolve building code disputes.

The mayor invited Boca Raton attorney Greg Hyden, who has represented governments in Port St. Lucie and Martin County, to the August town meeting and recommended him as a replacement for Skrandel.

"He agrees with resident concerns for a building permit and code enforcement system, which is much more resident friendly," Lee wrote about Hyden in an open letter to town residents. "He agrees with everyone that Briny needs smaller government with no need for a town manager."

Council members voted to open Skrandel's job to applicants, with the hope of having several candidates and proposals to compare at the Sept. 28 town meeting.

Council President Sue Thaler expects that John Skrandel will be one of

them: "I want him to make a proposal," she said.

Skrandel, who during the meeting found himself in the awkward position of advising council members on how they should go about replacing him, was noncommittal.

On creating the manager position, Alderman Bobby Jurovaty said he spoke with officials in county municipalities smaller than Briny Breezes — among them Cloud Lake, Glen Ridge, Jupiter Inlet Colony, Village of Golf — and found they all have town managers. Jurovaty said the officials were surprised Briny was able to get by without one.

"They all pretty much said the same thing: 'You need to get busy and hire a manager,'" Jurovaty said.

Alderman Christina Adams, who cast the lone vote opposing the idea, said she was concerned about the expense of hiring a qualified manager and providing benefits. Thaler said the money is already in the budget and the candidate could be hired without benefits as an independent contractor. Jurovaty said the manager's salary range in the towns he surveyed is between \$20,000 and \$40,000.

The council intends to approve an ordinance with specific job requirements and have the position filled by the end of the year.

In other business, the council will hold public hearings on the 2017-2018 budget on Sept. 14 and Sept. 28, both beginning at 5:01 p.m.

Council members and the corporate board will hold a joint budget meeting on Sept. 7 at 4 p.m. ★



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South Palm Beach

Five-story Town Hall proposed

By Dan Moffett

Architect Steven Knight gave the South Palm Beach Town Council a conceptual drawing of what a new Town Hall might look like.

Now it's up to the council and their constituents to decide whether to go forward and spend up to \$6 million to replace their aging building.

Knight, of Alexis Knight Architects in West Palm Beach, presented council members a larger, taller and thoroughly more modern alternative to their current building during the Aug. 29 town meeting.

Knight's proposed design has five floors and 22,500 square feet of floor space, about triple that of the current building. A public lounge is on the ground floor, the Police Department is on the second floor, administration is on the third, a community room on the fourth and council chambers on the fifth.

"It's a beautiful design but it goes way beyond our needs," Mayor Bonnie Fischer said. "It's too much."

"It is a grandiose building," Councilwoman Stella Gaddy Jordan said. "We don't need five floors."

In the weeks ahead, the council will be seeking input from residents and holding public workshops to gauge the support and the opposition to the proposal.

Knight said there is no way to satisfy parking requirements and maintain the Police Department on site without devising a multi-story design.

"We just don't have the square footage," says Town Manager Bob Vitas. "The only way we can go is straight up."

Officials put the cost of constructing the new building at between \$200 to \$250 per square foot.

One of the toughest complications to overcome if the council decides to build a new hall would be finding a place to temporarily relocate the town's Police Department and administrative employees. Possible solutions include trying to rent space across the bridge or at Plaza del Mar, and both options are problematic.

If council members decide to construct a new building, they would have to ask voters to approve a general obligation bond referendum during the March municipal election. Vitas said he thinks the \$6 million price tag for a new building is a "worst-case" estimate. He thinks the project can be completed for less and the town could possibly obtain grant money to cover some of it.

So far, the town has about \$49,000 invested in the idea — the bill paid to Knight for his architectural services.

In other business:

- Vitas said no matter whether the Town Hall or

beach stabilization projects moves forward, one capital improvement that he wants to complete for sure in the next fiscal year is upgrading the street lights on A1A.

Council members say numerous complaints from residents about the inadequate lighting on the town's main street make this project a priority. Vitas said he hopes to have new energy efficient lighting installed before the end of the year.

Vitas says another must-do project is building a sea wall behind the Town Hall parking lot. Erosion from the Intracoastal Waterway has worsened in recent years, eating away the shoreline and causing drainage problems. Work on that project is likely months away.

- During their budget workshop on Aug. 24, council members gave preliminary

approval to a partial rate rollback for taxpayers. The council supported lowering the current tax rate of \$4.12 per \$1,000 of taxable property value to \$3.99. A full rollback that would have kept tax revenues flat year-over-year would have dropped the rate to \$3.87 per \$1,000 of taxable value.

With the decreased rate, the total savings for the town's taxpayers is about \$43,000. The council approved a similar partial rollback last year. Public hearings on the proposed 2017-18 budget will be held on Sept. 7 and Sept. 12, both beginning at 5:30 p.m.

- With a 4-0 vote, the council approved the appointment of Lucille Flagello, 76, to fill the seat left open by her son, Joe Flagello, who died suddenly last spring.

The seat comes up for election in March. ★

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Gulf Stream

Town to county: Pay for IG yourself

By Steve Plunkett

The town is on record that it still wants no part of paying for the county's Inspector General Office.

In a resolution passed Aug. 11, Gulf Stream commissioners said they do not support contributing town tax dollars to pay for the countywide IG program "since Gulf Stream residents already pay for and support the program through payment of their county taxes."

County voters in November 2010 approved a referendum creating the Inspector General Office, and the following May county commissioners passed an ordinance that required municipalities to pay for part of its operations.

Cities and towns sued, and last December the 4th District Court of Appeal ruled that the county's attempts to collect money were barred by the municipalities' having sovereign immunity.

But, Gulf Stream's resolution said, "the county recently has requested that all municipalities voluntarily pay their 'fair share' of the costs."

Not every city joined the

suit, and in March, Briny Breezes, Boynton Beach, Hypoluxo, Lantana, Ocean Ridge and South Palm Beach were given refunds of what they had paid for the inspector general.

Boca Raton, Delray Beach, Gulf Stream, Highland Beach and Manalapan had refused to pay and so were owed nothing.

In other business, Vice Mayor Thomas Stanley noted the July 25 passing of former Police Chief Garrett Ward and said Commissioner Paul Lyons attended the graveside service at Long Island National Cemetery in New York.

"We just wanted to say great thanks to him and our prayers and best wishes to his family on the record," Stanley said.

Ward's successor, Chief Edward Allen, introduced the department's newest member, Officer Brad Fidler, who spent 27 years with West Palm Beach's police force.

"He brings a wealth of experience to us," Allen said. ★

Chief Ward's obituary is on page 25.

Delray Beach

Hudson Holdings project on hold

By Jane Smith

The developer of Midtown Delray Beach was able to put its appeals on hold while it creates a new site plan for the proposed project.

The Delray Beach City Commission granted the stay in early August.

Under city rules, the developer had to ask for the stay within 10 days of the appeal hearing.

Because of the way the City Commission arranged its meetings, the stay was heard on Aug. 2. The appeals of the Historic Preservation Board's decisions were to be heard on Aug. 15.

In late August, Steven Michael, principal of Hudson Holdings, said he didn't know when his team would submit a revised site plan. Hudson Holdings is a partner in the Midtown project.

He also declined to say why the project's attorneys asked for a stay on the historic home moves and demolitions, but didn't appeal the board's site plan denial or withdraw from the appeals process.

The City Commission gave the project's owners a 60-day extension. The next available meeting date is Oct. 17.

"They just can't submit the same site plan, it has to be

substantially different," Delray Beach Planning Director Tim Stillings said. "Ultimately, the decision is mine" to determine whether substantial changes were made to the old site plan.

It takes about three weeks for all departments to review a site plan, he said. Midtown already missed the cutoff date to make it onto the Historic Preservation Board's September agenda, Stillings said.

The 4.4-acre project will sit prominently at the southwest corner of Swinton and Atlantic avenues, putting it at the entrance of The Set, the new name for the Northwest and Southwest neighborhoods.

Midtown Delray Beach also will have to meet the terms of a new tree preservation ordinance, passed in early August.

The ordinance calls for a sliding scale of tree preservation: preserve in place, preserve on-site, remove and replace with smaller versions of the same tree or remove and pay a fee for each tree.

In order to build an underground garage for the project, Hudson Holdings proposed moving six historic homes and removing all of the 200 trees in the first block of South Swinton Avenue. ★

Delray Beach

Ideas take shape for development around proposed Tri-Rail Coastal Link

By Jane Smith

Want to see the roof of the Old School Square garage turn into a disco at night?

That activity was proposed after a weeklong charrette on transit-oriented development, made possible by a \$141,000 grant from the Federal Transit Administration. The money was matched by the Delray Beach Community Redevelopment Agency.

"Traffic, parking and the [Tri-Rail] Coastal Link are critical to what we deal with in a car-centric city," said Mayor Cary Glickstein at the start of the Aug. 18 workshop. "At some point in the future, state and federal grants will be ready. Cities who have plans in place will be at the head of the line."

Dana Little, urban design director at the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, led the charrette. He assembled a design team to transform residents' ideas into drawings, brought in two financial consultants to analyze the viability of the designs and headed the workshop.

In November, they will have a draft of the plan with three designs and estimated costs for each version.

The area chosen for a Coastal Link-tied development contains six city-owned parcels along Northeast Third Avenue and Northeast First Street, along the FEC tracks. The 1.5 acres have 194 surface parking spaces in what is known as the Railroad Lot. The Silverball Pinball Museum will stay in all three designs, Little said.

The charrette started with residents giving suggestions for covered entrances at Atlantic Avenue to a promenade along both sides of the train tracks and the station platform. They also suggested more shade trees, better lighting and safety measures, more public spaces, a connection to the historic train building on the west side of the FEC tracks and better bike and pedestrian paths.

Of the three designs considered, the one that seemed the most viable to the design team offered 254 parking spaces in a two-level garage where 34 spaces would be reserved for golf carts.

The design shows 29,350 square feet of flex spaces — shops or offices — on the ground floor; 26,000 square feet of space for offices, shops, apartments or live/work units; and a third floor that would house 84 apartments of 1,000 square feet and offer rooftop amenities, including a pool.

The development does not need a hotel, said financial



One idea for the area north of Atlantic Avenue and east of the proposed station platform beside the FEC tracks shows a two-level parking garage and a three-story building with offices, shops, apartments and a rooftop pool. The designs came from residents' suggestions. **Rendering provided**

consultant Tom Moriarity. He said 480 new hotel rooms are planned for the downtown, increasing the supply by 36 percent.

The downtown has 969,000 square feet of retail/restaurant space, Moriarity said. He spent most of the hot August week walking Atlantic Avenue counting stores and restaurants. Another 355,045 square feet is proposed, a 37 percent increase, he said.

The Coastal Link site can support retail boutiques and shops that sell commuter-oriented goods, Moriarity said.

Housing, up to 100 units, is viable at the Coastal Link site, consultant Tom Lavash said. The downtown is projected to add 1,700 new households in the next five to seven years. Nine planned projects will offer 877 units, he said.

Delray Beach has a high office vacancy rate, mostly from the vacant Office Depot headquarters on Congress Avenue. The average asking rent is \$21 a square foot, compared with \$28 countywide, Little said.

The downtown can support boutique office spaces for medical and legal uses, Little said.

He also said a pedestrian train barrier can be dressed up with covered walkways, benches and plants to create a safe, attractive option.

For nearly a year, city employees have been working with FEC and All-Aboard/Brightline leaders after a woman was killed last August when she crossed over the tracks, just north of Atlantic Avenue, near Northeast Third Avenue. She was hit by a

freight train.

The city wants to put up an aluminum rail fence with bougainvillea plants to prevent people from crossing the tracks before Brightline begins its high-speed passenger service between West Palm Beach and Miami. The train's start has been pushed back until the fall, but no start date has been released, according to Brightline spokeswoman Ali Soule.

Little, a planner who likes to explore creative uses for parking, said a mere 450 feet away from the Coastal Link platform sits a mostly empty Old School Square garage. The walk took him 102 seconds.

On a weekday, he said the second level was about 80 percent full, the third level about 10 percent full, the fourth level about 8 percent full and the roof was empty.

He proposed adding solar panels to shade the vehicles parked on the roof during the day. Then late at night, the roof could transform into a disco.

Delray Beach was one of two Palm Beach County cities to receive the transit-oriented grant. The other was Palm Beach Gardens, which received a \$120,000 grant.

The grants allowed both cities to work with the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority, operator of the Tri-Rail commuter train line, and the Regional Planning Council staff to create a master plan for a Tri-Rail Coastal Link station area.

The commuter line doesn't have a start date, but it is at least five years away. ★

Delray Beach

Updated development rules emphasize preserving shade trees

By Jane Smith

Delray Beach is on its way to living up to its brand of being a safe haven for trees.

In early August, the Delray Beach City Commission unanimously approved an updated tree ordinance making preservation the No. 1 priority.

"If there is a specimen tree on site, we want developers to plan around that tree rather than disregard that tree in their plans," Mayor Cary Glickstein said Aug. 2. "It comes back to: Are we penalizing enough financially to have the developer comply?"

Planning Director Tim Stillings said, "Yes, ultimately, we'd rather have the tree than the money."

However, the city decided it

needed an ordinance with more bite because several projects downtown were removing trees and the developers were just paying the penalties, Stillings said.

Stillings presented in the updated rules a list of fees the property owner must pay when removing shade trees. For trees with a trunk diameter of more than 18 inches at breast height, the fee would be \$1,000 per diameter inch.

Previously, the fee was \$100 per inch regardless of trunk diameter.

Delray Beach has a tree canopy of about 20 percent citywide, but its goal should be about 40 percent, Stillings said.

Vice Mayor Jim Chard asked about the policy of allowing developers to replace a

hardwood tree with three palms. Stillings said the preservation ordinance calls for like kind replacement — a hardwood for a hardwood.

"The city's landscape code allows three palms to replace a hardwood, but that's only for 25 percent of the trees removed," he said.

The ordinance demands that developers must try, in order, to leave the shade tree where it sits; to keep the tree onsite; replace it with a tree of equal size if it must be removed; and as a last resort, remove the tree and pay the fee.

At the second August commission meeting, Chard brought up another option: He wants to start a tree gifting program where developers donate mature trees to public

spaces in the city, such as parks, schools and water retention areas.

That option would be No. 4, ahead of removing the trees and paying the fees. The developers would also pay to move the trees, Chard said.

The city's planning department will bring back the amendment at a future commission meeting.

Chard said Swinton Avenue and Linton Boulevard have projects with large trees. Swinton Commons/Midtown Delray Beach has 200 trees, he said. The Sports Authority shopping center and the Lavers International Plaza on Linton Boulevard also have mature trees.

Chard recently was behind the moving of three yellow

tabebuia trees from the iPic project site in the downtown to the Achievement Centers for Children and Families on Northwest Fourth Street.

Twelve royal palms, also from the iPic site, were moved to Lake Ida Road, near the retention pond.

The tabebuias, about 20 feet tall, were severely cut back for the move, Chard said. The royal palms also had most of their fronds removed for the move.

Chard became a shade tree advocate through his work with Human Powered Delray.

"We need shade trees if we want people to get out of their cars and walk and bike," he said. "Mature trees can be worth several thousands of dollars to a city." ★

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whose focus will be on working with the city's recovery community and the growing homeless population as well as those with mental health issues, the job is a perfect fit.

"I have a love for this," she says. "It's all I've done all my life. I can just naturally connect with people."

Ciancio, 46, has seen the deadly effects of drug abuse firsthand from the time she was in high school.

"My very best friend died of an overdose last year," she said.

Ciancio's newly created position of service population advocate is what Police Chief Jeff Goldman calls "another tool in the tool box."

Delray Beach, an epicenter of the opioid epidemic and a community that has received more than its fair share of publicity because of its sober home crisis, has been on the leading edge of finding successful ways to address the problem, Goldman said. Hiring Ciancio, he believes, is just one more step in the right direction.

The Police Department was one of the first in the state to equip officers with Narcan — a drug that can revive people who overdose — and Goldman believes it's the first municipal law enforcement agency in Palm Beach County to have a full-time community advocate addressing social issues.

The position, which costs the city between \$50,000 and \$70,000 a year, is an investment that Goldman says will pay dividends.

"It will help our department be more effective and more efficient," he says.

He cited one situation where police officers have responded 13 times in just a few months to help a family struggling with a relative who suffers from mental health problems.

"There are a lot of social issues that are a drain on our



Ariana Ciancio, the Delray Beach Police Department's service population advocate, talks with homeless people at Libby Wesley Park. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

services," the chief said.

Social, legal situations overlap

Over time, Goldman said, the line between social problems and law enforcement issues has blurred.

"The heroin epidemic is a social issue, but eventually everything becomes a law enforcement issue," he said. "People always ask our officers where they can go for help, and they don't always know."

Now those needing assistance can turn to Ciancio, who in two months on the job has been busy with calls from local people trying to find a place for those in recovery and from parents from out of state worried about their children in recovery.

Just last month, Ciancio was contacted by operators of two sober homes that were closing down who hoped to find spots for the two dozen individuals who had been staying there.

"In the past," Goldman said, "24 people would have been on

the street."

Another key role for Ciancio will be to try to reduce the number of individuals who overdose, are revived by the drug Narcan, but later overdose again.

In some cases, she will follow police officers to the hospital and meet with the individual who overdoses right away. In other cases, she will schedule follow-up appointments.

Her message to them — and to everyone else — is: "I'm the advocate from the Delray Beach Police Department and I'm here to help you."

Ciancio is discovering that finding help for everyone in need is a challenge because Palm Beach County has a limited supply of available beds for those in emergency situations or people searching for a detox or recovery program.

She's also finding that the demand for help in Delray Beach may be more than one person can handle and as a result, the department is in conversations with leaders of

a pamphlet that will list agencies available to help people in need.

Helping people — and building bridges — is something Ciancio has been doing for more than two decades. She came to Delray Beach after spending 17 years with the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence in New Jersey.

A New Jersey native, she came to Florida to get an education, first at Florida Atlantic University, where she received a bachelor's degree in psychology, and later at Nova Southeastern University, where she received a master's degree in mental health counseling.

Ciancio, who has been married for 16 years and has an 11-year-old son and a 14-year-old daughter, had always wanted to return to South Florida.

Ciancio said her work in Delray Beach is similar to what she did in New Jersey, but with new challenges and perhaps greater urgency.

"I always find myself in places where I feel I'm needed," she said. ★

Florida Atlantic University's social work program to discuss internship opportunities.

She is working with other agencies to increase opportunities and is developing

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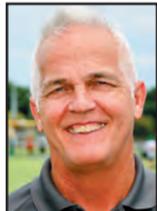
some by the misplaced good graces of teachers — quickly flunk out of college.

“You have to be disciplined in the classroom and on the field. Self-discipline will carry you a long way in life,” Jackson said.

And he lives this philosophy even now: “You can get emotional,” Jackson tells his players, “but you’ve still got to stay in control and be accountable for what you do and what you say.”

A standout coach

Kevin Logan of Ocean Ridge has been the athletic director at Atlantic High School for 33 years — he’s even a graduate of the school — and he’s seen plenty of



Logan

coaches come and go.

“He’s been here five years, and each year he does more,” Logan said of Jackson. “To him, football is a year-round commitment. Coach is always doing something: fundraising, holding SAT tutoring, arranging after-school programs. He’s gotten the teachers involved helping with academics and he’s gotten the community involved holding fundraisers.

“We have 135 kids between the varsity, JV and freshman teams, and most of them are from rough neighborhoods. Very few of them could raise the funds needed to play a sport. The insurance alone is \$75.”

Somehow, Jackson finds a way to get the players what they need, even if it means digging



Atlantic coach T.J. Jackson helps up one of his players. Jackson also is part of a nonprofit that gives academic and athletic support to at-risk youths. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

into his own pocket.

“He finds the money to pay for equipment players need, plus special game day jerseys players on the team get to wear to classes on game days,” Logan said. “In turn, players must keep up their grades and stay out of trouble. When they are wearing team colors, Coach expects them to behave.”

Jackson has gotten good results on the field. The Eagles, who were 3-8 in his first season in 2013, went 12-1 in 2015 and 9-4 last season, getting within one game of the state playoff semifinals both seasons.

Prep & Sports nonprofit

Jackson sings the praises of the city of Delray Beach and its business community.

“Delray is a unique city,” said Jackson, 38. “There’s a lot of support here.”

But you need the right kind of support.

Josh Rosen, the star quarterback at UCLA, made the news recently when he said playing college football and keeping up academically is like having two full-time jobs.

“It’s not that some players shouldn’t be in school; it’s just that universities should help them more — instead of just finding ways to keep them eligible,” Rosen said.

But even the first day of college is too late to start helping, Jackson said. It has to start in high school, even middle school.

In 2005, Jackson teamed up

with another former football player, Jamael Stewart, and they founded Prep & Sports



Stewart

Inc., a nonprofit organization that turns at-risk youths into scholar-athletes by providing practical academic support, tutoring and skill-building, as well as emotional support through athletic mentorships, training and guidance. Tutors are certified teachers with a passion for kids and mentors include current and former NFL players who keep in touch with the kids through social media.

Right now, Prep & Sports has 125 young men training in a variety of sports at its facility on Federal Highway.

“The program has a 100 percent on-time graduation rate,” said Stewart, whose day job is assistant director of community improvement for Delray Beach. “We started with kids who were gifted athletically but weak academically. They were rough around the edges. A lot of these kids would drop out of school after football season.”

Jackson told them, “They can always take sports away from you, but your education, they can never take that away.”

A cautionary tale

As proof, the coach offers Kevin Lubin.

Jackson was an assistant coach at West Boca High and Lubin was a gifted athlete who had started at Prep & Sports with a 0.3 GPA and a juvenile record. By senior year, the 5-foot-11, 260-pound lineman had brought his GPA up to 3.2. He was dreaming big, his sights set on the University of Miami. With Jackson as his mentor, Lubin’s future looked golden.

Then, just before midnight on Thanksgiving Eve 2007, Lubin met his friends Dante and Jermaine on Atlantic Avenue, just blocks from his home. They were walking to Lubin’s car when a silver Chrysler rolled up and a masked man shot Lubin and his friends with an AK-47.

Lubin’s left leg exploded, and two of the 14 bullets were so close to his heart, surgeons were afraid to remove them. It took nearly a full day to patch Kevin Lubin back together. His football dreams died right there on Southwest Second Street.

For 23 hours, Jackson never left the waiting room, and he stayed at Lubin’s side through his rehabilitation.

“That was one of the hardest things I had to deal with,” Jackson said. “It was tough on me, and it took me a while to come out of my shell.”

“It was a very difficult time,” recalled Stewart. “T.J. was at the hospital every day with that young man. And [Lubin] went through a big slump, but we mentored him through that.”

Lubin now works as a mentor in Delray Beach for parks and recreation, because so many youngsters still need help.

A life forever changed

Fortunately, players like Brisly Estime remind Jackson why he’s doing what he does.

Estime didn’t begin playing football until his freshman year of high school, but under Jackson’s wing, the boy who came from Haiti at age 5 became one of the best players in the county.

The 2013 Atlantic graduate known for his speed converted his success on the field into a full scholarship at Syracuse University. The 5-foot-9, 185-pound Estime was a wide receiver and one of the best punt returners in the country. He signed with the NFL’s New York Jets as an undrafted free agent this year but sustained a torn Achilles tendon in offseason workouts. He plans to resume playing when he recovers.

“Coach Jackson is a great person and a great man,” Estime said by phone. “I appreciate everything he does for kids. He’s a great coach and he loves helping kids.”

Estime says Jackson taught him much more than football: “He taught me life skills.”

And when Estime walked across the stage to get the diploma for his degree, Jackson was there. He’s a consistent presence in kids’ lives, and that consistency is something a lot of young men don’t have.

A nourishing start

Each Friday, Jackson provides a game-day meal because he knows some of his young men don’t have enough food to fuel their dreams.

Jackson understands hardship and disappointment. He grew up in the Carver Estates housing project, where he saw drug abuse, violence and poverty every day.

“But I had family support,” Jackson said.

“You know what really bothers me? Seeing adults that aren’t there for their kids. Their kids need the help and they don’t step up. That’s very mind-altering.”

You can hear disgust in his voice. “But I don’t let it distract me. I keep moving forward.”★

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Environmental permits

The state Department of Environmental Protection issues permits for activities and structures on the beach. Here is a chart of permits by type and area from 2007 to July 2017. Coastal Construction Control Line permits are approved in Tallahassee. So are Coastal Notice General Permits, usually for excavations to build single-family homes. Field permits for beach cleaning and movable lifeguard towers are done locally.

Place	CCCL	CNGP	Field	Total
Boca Raton	13	0	49	62
Briny Breezes	0	0	4	4
County Pocket	0	0	6	6
Delray Beach	24	2	82	108
Gulf Stream	17	1	30	48
Highland Beach	27	0	76	103
Lantana	2	0	8	10
Manalapan	54	1	81	136
Ocean Ridge	25	4	109	138
South Palm Beach	18	0	23	41
Total	180	8	468	656

SOURCE: Florida Department of Environmental Protection

Property values in southern Palm Beach County

East of A1A (figures are rounded)

City/town/area	2006 Assessed Value (millions)	2016 Assessed Value (millions)	Change from 2006 to 2016 (millions)	Percent change
Boca Raton	\$1,930.7	\$2,400.1	\$469.4	24.3%
Briny Breezes	\$45.3	\$48.1	\$2.8	6.1%
County Pocket	\$41.4	\$51.7	\$10.2	24.7%
Delray Beach	\$381.9	\$614.4	\$232.5	60.9%
Gulf Stream	\$332.0	\$520.4	\$188.4	56.8%
Highland Beach	\$1,249.0	\$1,219.3	-\$29.7	-2.4%
Lantana	\$12.1	\$12.7	\$.6	4.7%
Manalapan	\$563.7	\$825.2	\$261.5	46.4%
Ocean Ridge	\$406.1	\$498.9	\$92.8	22.8%
South Palm Beach	\$334.1	\$248.9	-\$85.2	-25.5%
TOTAL	\$5.3 billion	\$6.4 billion	\$1.2 billion	21.5%

SOURCE: Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office

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and welfare of citizens.”

Why are these applications approved? In Florida, property rights are highly regarded.

The only time a person is guaranteed a 12-person jury is when the government wants to take your life — or your property. The state Legislature passed the Bert J. Harris Act in 1995, strengthening a property owner's rights. The act, toughened in 2015, reads that local governments must prove that not allowing owners to use their property would be in the public's interest.

But Wanless and other scientists, concerned about rising sea levels and increased predictions for stronger storms, think the state is being shortsighted.

“The state should be looking out 50 or more years,” Wanless said. “The sea level will rise by about 2 feet by 2048.

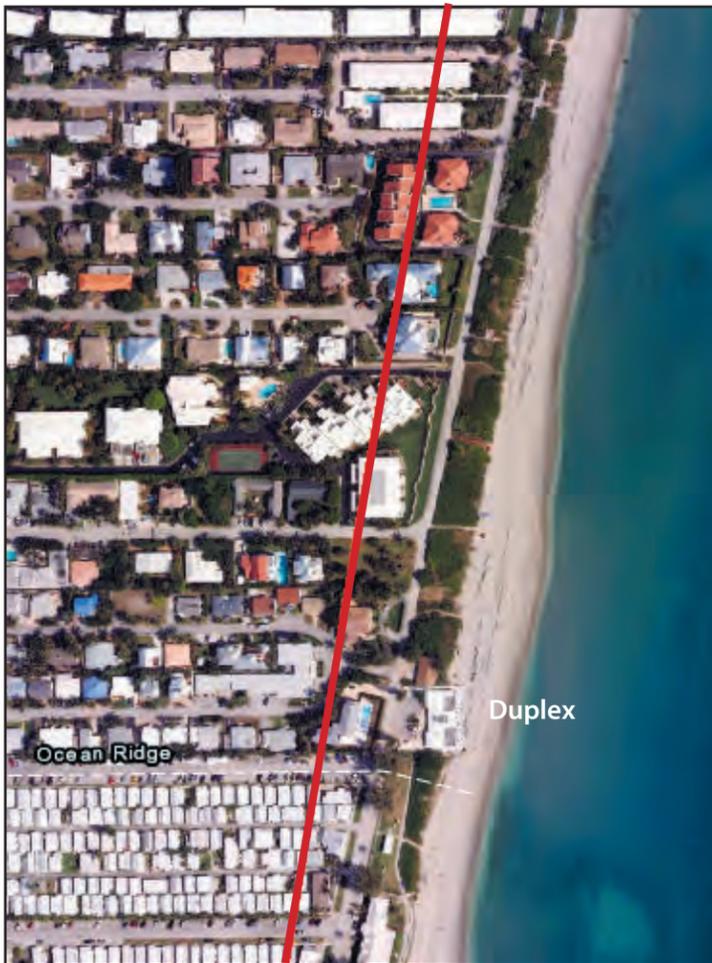
“Most of Florida's coasts will be lost to sea level rise,” he continued, pointing to the January report on “Global and Sea Level Rise Scenarios for the United States.”

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration produced the report from the work of leading government scientists, including William Sweet, an oceanographer at NOAA's Center for Operational Oceanographic Products and Services, and Jayantha Obeysekera, the chief modeler at the South Florida Water Management District.

Wanless said the state should stop approving structures seaward of the line and have the line consider the effects of sea level rise.

State laws lack enforcement

In 1971, state legislators created the Coastal Construction Setback Line, which banned construction seaward of the line. That was altered in 1978 to become the Coastal Construction Control Line, which does not prohibit such construction but puts the buildings under increased



TOP: The multistory duplex nearing completion in Ocean Ridge was built on the former site of a single-story hotel.

ABOVE: The condo sits far east of the red line representing the Coastal Construction Control Line. **State of Florida Maps**

review.

The CCCL is set on a county-by-county basis. Palm Beach County's line was last reset in 1997. The line is supposed to preserve and protect beaches from badly designed construction that can harm the beach-dune system, speed up the rate of erosion, endanger adjacent properties or interfere with public beach access.

The state DEP leaves it up to the cities to determine how their coastlines will be used, said spokeswoman Dee Ann Miller.

South County municipalities, though, are leaving that decision up to the state — concerned they may be denying property owners their rights to use the land to the fullest.

Wanless said, “The DEP and the state make the laws and should be responsible for their implementation.”

Lifestyle worth the risk

Manalapan residents Don Silpe and his wife, Linda, don't worry about sea level rise. At their stage in life, they know

they won't be around to see its effects.

Instead, they worry about a strong storm, a Category 3 or higher hurricane, destroying their 1940s house, where they have lived for the past 30 years.

“If we lose this house to a strong hurricane, we are choosing to do so,” Linda Silpe said. “We are going into it with our eyes wide open, knowing we could not rebuild as close to the ocean as the home is. It would have to be set back.”

They don't have windstorm insurance but they do carry flood insurance.

Their oceanfront compound is named Ariel, after the spirit in Shakespeare's play *The Tempest*.

The main house has more than 3,600 square feet, facing the ocean. Tennis courts and a swimming pool sit on the west side of the 1.63-acre property.

“I like the sense of timelessness, that you are just a grain of sand and the ocean goes on forever,” said Linda Silpe on a hot August afternoon when the ocean breeze made it comfortable to sit outside on the deck.

Her husband pointed out the pluses of living next to the ocean: sea turtle nests every 4 feet, reefs for snorkeling, ocean breeze in the heat of the day and few people walking along the stretch of the beach in front of their home.

He proudly showed the “400 or 500 pictures of sunrises” on his mobile phone, all taken from his deck.

“I grew up near the water and have an affinity for it,” Don Silpe said. “Being here is a way of life.”

A building too far

In southern Ocean Ridge, beach-walkers talk about the new multistory duplex going up on the former site of a single-story hotel at 5001 Old Ocean Blvd.

“If a building had not already existed on Old Ocean Boulevard with an existing sea wall, the new building would not have been approved,” said Geoff Pugh, mayor of Ocean Ridge. “It extends too far out.”

Sea turtle monitor Joan Lorne says the sea wall is too high and leads to false crawls. Those occur when the turtles crawl up on the beach, hit the sea wall and then retreat into the ocean before laying eggs.

Her daughter, Jackie Kingston, holds the sea turtle monitoring permit from Florida's Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. Her group of five, called Sea Adventurers, counts turtle nests daily in southern Ocean Ridge, Briny Breezes and Gulf Stream.

At the Old Ocean site, the number of sea turtle nests and false crawls are the same as last year: five for each category, Kingston said in late August.

Property rights prevail

Local governments can't just deny property owners the right to build near the ocean if the state allows it, Pugh said.

“Just to say, ‘sea level rise’ would not be enough,” he said.

Citizens Property Insurance, the insurer of last resort, had 684 policies in southern Palm Beach County as of June 30, according to its spokesman. The policies insure structures east of A1A. Homeowners with mortgages are required to have windstorm coverage.

Citizens caps windstorm property damage claims at \$700,000 for personal policies and \$1 million for commercial policies, spokesman Michael Peltier said.

Boca Raton had the highest number, with 170 personal policies and 25 commercial policies. Commercial policies cover apartment buildings and condo associations, Peltier said.

The county's southernmost city passed its own coastal construction setback in 1981. With that resolution, Boca Raton reviews the oceanfront projects after they receive their state permits.

One test may come as soon as November. An ultramodern, four-story duplex is planned for 2600 N. Ocean Blvd. The proposed 14,270-square-foot building has a nearly all-glass front facing the ocean.

The city's environmental

consultant returned its draft report in mid-August, said Boca Raton spokeswoman Chrissy Gibson.

The draft report said the project did not do enough to keep its lights from shining on the beach and disturbing nesting sea turtles, the dune vegetation study lacks sufficient detail to determine whether it addresses all on-site vegetative impacts and the proposed dune walkover structure extends out into the active beach and turtle-nesting zones. All three violate the city's codes.

The results will make it onto the city's Environmental Advisory Board agenda within 30 days. The board's recommendation makes it to the Boca Raton City Council agenda within 30 days. The City Council has the final say.

Because of sea turtle nesting, the state requires a tinted glass or a film that allows 45 percent or less light to filter through the windows and doors facing the ocean and on the sides of the building.

"Any development on the beach affects the sea turtles,"



said Kirt Rusenko, who leads a group of eight to monitor Boca Raton's beaches during the nesting season. Rusenko is the marine conservationist at the Gumbo Limbo Nature Center in Boca Raton.

No holding back the tide

A volunteer group, led by barrier island resident Jessica Gray, is trying to stop coastal construction in Boca Raton.

She formed Boca Save Our Beaches in December 2015, right after the City Council gave a variance to allow a property owner to build a four-story,

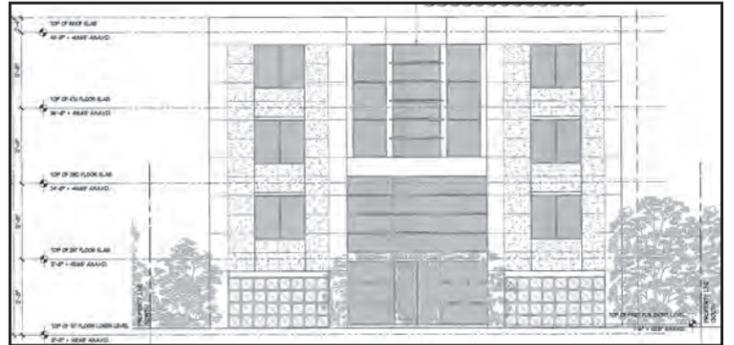
10,270-square-foot mansion at 2500 N. Ocean Blvd. on a lot less than 100 feet wide.

During that December 2015 meeting, the owner's attorney hinted at possibly suing Boca Raton if the council denied the variance.

"If you deprive the property owner of all use," said attorney Charles Siemon, "you must pay the property owner."

Boca Raton is waiting for the owner to provide an updated environmental assessment to send it out for review, Gibson said.

Gray and others in her group



LEFT: A 14,270-square-foot duplex has been proposed for 2600 N. Ocean Blvd. in Boca Raton. **ABOVE:** The proposed four-story house at 2500 N. Ocean Blvd. in Boca Raton. **Renderings provided**

fear the 2500 and 2600 Ocean projects would change the face of the beach, disorient nesting sea turtles and lead to more development along the beach.

In late July, she opened a GoFundMe.com campaign with the goal of raising \$5,000. As of late August, she had collected \$4,000.

"Attorneys are expensive," Gray said.

All this turmoil could be avoided, said Keren Bolter, adjunct geosciences professor at Florida Atlantic University.

Five years ago, she wrote a scholarly paper on the state's

Coastal Construction Control Line. The research behind the line's establishment was sound, she wrote. But the practice of allowing most structures to be built seaward of it does not "protect the public and the environment."

Her paper ended with this question: "What is the point of drawing a line in the sand if there is no line drawn to restrict people from building beyond it?" ★

For additional maps of the Coastal Construction Control Line visit <https://ca.dep.state.fl.us/mapdirect/?focus=beaches>.

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For those lucky enough to travel to the totality and to get clear skies, the eclipse was a stunning event. While in Salem, Ore., *Coastal Star* Publisher Jerry Lower photographed an every 10-minute exposure to create this time-lapse image.

Total eclipse was a sight for the nation



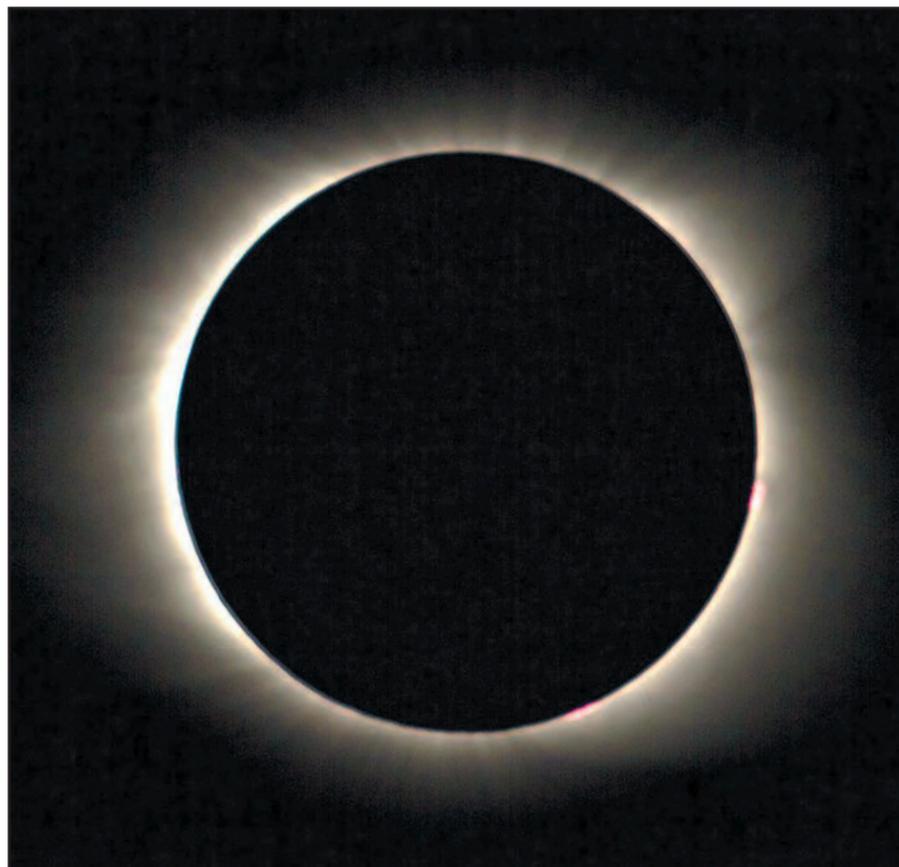
ABOVE: Thomas and Troy Rockett, students at Morikami Elementary, look at the eclipse through safety glasses at Florida Atlantic University. **RIGHT:** Boca Raton resident Shaina Yeslow brought a colander to watch the eclipse, using it to capture mini-eclipses. Photos by Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star



LEFT: Sunlight filtered through leaves of a tree showing on the ground in the parking lot of the Delray Beach Public Library gave Michelle Quigley an opportunity to capture mini-eclipses.



ABOVE: Tytan Halfhill of Briny Breezes took *The Coastal Star's* advice and wore his safety glasses to view the eclipse. Photo provided by Mikee Rulli



LEFT: Gulf Stream resident Julie Murphy traveled to Clemson, S.C., to photograph the totality. **ABOVE:** Ocean Ridge residents Neil and Zoanne Hennigan caught the eclipse in Salem, Ore., while visiting their daughter. Their dog, Potter, practiced safe eclipse viewing.

Along the Coast

Boca's deputy mayor floats notion of annexing Highland Beach

By Rich Pollack

Should the ocean-front town of Highland Beach become part of the larger Boca Raton?

At least one of the larger city's council members thinks it might be a good idea. High-



Rodgers

land Beach officials and other residents whom *The Coastal Star* asked disagreed. In a Facebook post in late August in which he complained that Highland Beach's website was down, Boca Raton Deputy Mayor Jeremy Rodgers floated the idea and asked residents of both communities for their thoughts.

"I'd love to bring world-class Boca Raton services, parks, libraries and staff to Highland Beach and at the same time expand our Boca Raton, Florida coastline by bringing Highland Beach into Boca," he wrote. "Overall costs would drop for residents of both cities when all services (water, sewer, police, fire) were accounted for."

Rodgers, in the post, said he would be interested in

hearing from city residents as well as those from the town to get their thoughts.

"Is this worth exploring?" he asked.

In Highland Beach the response to the idea has been anything but welcoming. "We're very happy here in Highland Beach," said resident Harry Anwar, who can look out the window of his home in the Boca Highland Beach Club and Marina community and see Boca Raton. "What are they going to give us that we don't already have?"

Anwar, vice president of the Boca Highland umbrella association as well as vice president of Braemar Isle, his condominium within the development, pointed out that Highland Beach has a library, a Police Department, a water plant and a beautiful beach.

"We have a good everything," he said. "Why do we need Boca?"

During a town commission meeting late last month, Highland Beach commissioners said they would not be supportive of Rodgers' idea.

That was good news to at least one resident who voiced opposition to the plan.

"I hope this commission says 'Hell no,'" resident Tim

Burnich said.

Rodgers thinks Highland Beach residents, who, along with Boca residents, would have to approve a merger before it could happen, might benefit from the quality services his city offers.

"I'd put our services against those of any city or town in the country," he said.

Were the two municipalities to merge, Boca Raton residents would have access to Highland Beach services.

While Rodgers thinks bringing the two communities together would benefit both, Highland Beach Mayor Carl Feldman says Boca Raton would probably get the better part of the deal. "There's a lot of tax money in Highland Beach and it wouldn't cost Boca Raton anything to take over our services," he said.

Rodgers admits Boca Raton would benefit by receiving tax revenue from the narrow, 3-mile-long coastal community, which has about 4,000 residents and taxable property values of more than \$2.4 billion, according to the Palm Beach County property appraiser, but he says there's more to the idea.

"Certainly the tax base is a

reason but it's not just that," he said. "It's the sum of the parts."

Highland Beach officials also pointed out that the town's proposed tax rate for the coming year of \$3.25 per \$1,000 of assessed property value is lower than Boca Raton's proposed \$3.67.

Feldman said a merger has been brought up by elected officials in Boca Raton a few times, but the idea never gained traction.

"The residents of Highland Beach are not interested in joining Boca," Feldman said. "Those that I spoke to, and there were many, said they didn't want to be a part of any other city. Our residents don't want to give up their hometown that they're so proud of."

Feldman said residents he spoke with are happy with Highland Beach's services and wouldn't give up living in a small community.

"That's why people moved to Highland Beach, they want the intimacy of a small town," he said. "It's like a family here."

Rodgers said he wants to hear from residents of both communities to gauge whether they think bringing the municipalities together would

bring benefits.

"I'd be interested in Highland Beach residents' weighing in," he said, adding he can be contacted at jrodgers@myboca.us.

While it is common for cities to annex unincorporated areas, mergers of two communities are highly unusual.

"It's rare, it's difficult and hasn't happened in Palm Beach County in my 35 years practicing municipal and government law here," said Highland Beach Town Attorney Glen Torcivia.

In fact, the last time two Florida towns became one was in 1969, when the city of Eau Gallie in Brevard County merged with its neighbor Melbourne, according to Lynn Tipton, director of Florida League of Cities University, the educational wing of the Florida League of Cities.

Highland Beach Vice Mayor Bill Weitz says he's not too concerned about his community disappearing.

"In my opinion, the possibility of Boca Raton assimilating Highland Beach has equal probability of Highland Beach assimilating Boca Raton," he said. ★

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Delray Beach

City moving forward on Atlantic Avenue parking meters

By Jane Smith

After more than 10 years of discussion, city leaders are inching their way toward paid street parking in downtown Delray Beach.

In mid-August, the five city commissioners each presented their wishes for downtown parking on Atlantic Avenue between Swinton Avenue and the Intracoastal Waterway. After more than an hour of discussion, here's what they decided:

- Parking will be free but limited to two hours on Atlantic Avenue, between Swinton Avenue and the Intracoastal, between 2 a.m. and 6 p.m. The time limit will be enforced.
- Between 6 p.m. and 2 a.m., meters will go into effect at the rate of \$2 per hour on that stretch of Atlantic and one block north and south of Atlantic.
- Parking in the two city garages will be free during the days. Users will pay \$5 to park Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights between 6 p.m. and 2 a.m. Employees can park for free on the top floor of each garage,

using a hanging card from the rearview mirror.

- The city's five surface lots, with approximately 314 spaces, will be free between 2 a.m. and 6 p.m. and have a two-hour parking limit. Meters will be enforced between 6 p.m. and 2 a.m. at the rate of \$2 per hour.
 - The Gladiola Lot at 51 SE Fifth Ave., with eight-hour time limit, will not have meters. Its 74 spaces will be free for employees and downtown patrons to use. The Railroad Lot at 25 NE Third Ave., which also has eight-hour spaces, will not have meters installed in those spaces. They will be free.
 - City staff did not know how many of the Railroad Lot's 190 spaces had the eight-hour time limit.
 - Even with signs, drivers will be confused and enforcement complicated, said interim City Manager Neal de Jesus.
 - Residents can purchase an annual parking permit for \$100.
 - The valet fee will be increased from \$7 to \$10.
- Using that input, city staff will bring back a parking management proposal to the

City Commission in September.

Commissioner Shelly Petrolia worried that the city was pushing drivers into the neighborhoods to find free parking spaces. "Downtown businesses are willing to pay an extra \$100 annually, if we don't put in the meters downtown," she said, suggesting no changes be made until the city replaces the spaces lost to construction at the iPic project and adds more parking with a garage nearby. "Meters will generate turnover and generate revenue to keep the area clean and safe," Mayor Cary Glickstein said.

The mayor also wants city staff to explore building a city garage on the Gladiola Lot using the in-lieu parking fees that downtown restaurant owners have paid. When a restaurant opens where the previous building use was retail, the restaurant owner identifies available parking spaces nearby to follow city rules. When adequate parking is not available, the owner pays a fee per space, called in-lieu parking fees. About \$2 million exists in the accounts, Glickstein said.

He also is thinking of the long-term needs of the city. "I suspect the city will lose about \$1.5 million when voters agree to the extra homestead exemption in 2018," Glickstein said.

Vice Mayor Jim Chard began the Aug. 15 discussion by touting the results of three days of enforcement by Lanier Parking staff. "Two hundred citations were issued, and 10 percent were paid in one day," he said. At that rate, he estimated the annual amount the city would generate from fines would be \$416,000.

Before Lanier Parking took over parking enforcement in June, enforcement was done inconsistently by volunteers, de Jesus said. The volunteers worked during the daylight hours.

In June, the city and its Downtown Development Authority seemed to be in agreement on the need for parking meters downtown. But in early August, after a change in leadership on the DDA board, the new mantra for parking became: Start slow

and grow. Just a few hours before the City Commission meeting on Aug. 2, the DDA's executive director took the opportunity to drop off the organization's unrequested parking management plan. The DDA recommended putting meters on only 245 spaces, instead of the 2,577 the city staff had proposed.

The commission directed its staff to come back with an analysis of the DDA parking plan. DDA Executive Director Laura Simon said the central core merchants were concerned about employee parking. She requested the eight-hour parking spaces remain free in the Railroad and Gladiola lots. Employees can park for free in the garages with a card that hangs from the rearview mirror, the mayor said about his new proposed option for staff parking. He questioned the DDA's priorities that put parking for workers before patrons. "You're far more worried about employee parking than spaces for customers," he said. ★

Along the Coast

County bans balloons from its beach parks

Planning an event at a county beach? Leave the balloons behind; as of Sept. 1, they're banned at 11 Palm Beach County-operated beachfront parks.

"I think anytime we can limit the amount of plastics, including balloons, is a good thing," said Leanne Welch, manager of the Gumbo Limbo Nature Center in Boca Raton, which takes in and rehabilitates injured and sick sea turtles. "I applaud the county for taking this step."

The county implemented the ban in an effort to help sea turtles, which mistake the deflated popular party favors for jellyfish, their favorite meal.

The balloons get stuck in the sea creatures

— or streamers or string can wrap around body parts — causing digestive problems, starvation, strangulation and death.

"In five days in June, our sea turtle conservation team collected 53 balloons that washed ashore on Boca Raton's 5 miles of beaches," Welch said. "It's a real problem."

The county parks include Ocean Inlet Park in Ocean Ridge, South Inlet Park in Boca Raton and Gulfstream Park in Gulf Stream. The rule does not apply to municipal beachfront parks.

Violators are subject to a \$500 fine and up to 60 days in jail.

— Henry Fitzgerald

Delray Beach

Donation to pay for new beach gazebos

By Jane Smith

New gazebos on the north and south ends of Delray Beach's municipal beach will soon be constructed with a \$40,000 donation from the Lattner Family Foundation.

The promenade contractor will build them for the city, Project Manager Missie Barletto said. The gazebos will use the same footprint as the current structures, she said.

The beach promenade work is progressing, Barletto said, moving north of Thomas Street to Beach Road. The anticipated completion date for the \$3.1 million project is mid-October. New synthetic turf will be installed by the main pavilion.

For safety reasons, the city asks residents and visitors to enter the beach at the designated entrances: across

from the Sandoway parking lot on the south end, at the main pavilion at Atlantic Avenue and at the Thomas Street entrance on the north end.

Solar-powered smart meters have been installed on the southern portion of the beach, along with a tricolored sidewalk with new benches, showers, water fountains, bike and surfboard racks, and trash containers.

The city added a third Downtown Trolley route for those choosing to park in the city garages. For questions about parking during the construction, call Jorge Alarcon at 243-7000, ext. 4112.

The promenade contractor has removed all of the benches with plaques and the city is storing them for the original buyers. They will each receive a free inscribed brick near the flagpole at Atlantic Avenue.

For questions about the benches and plaques, call Isaac Kovner at 243-7000, ext. 4119. ★

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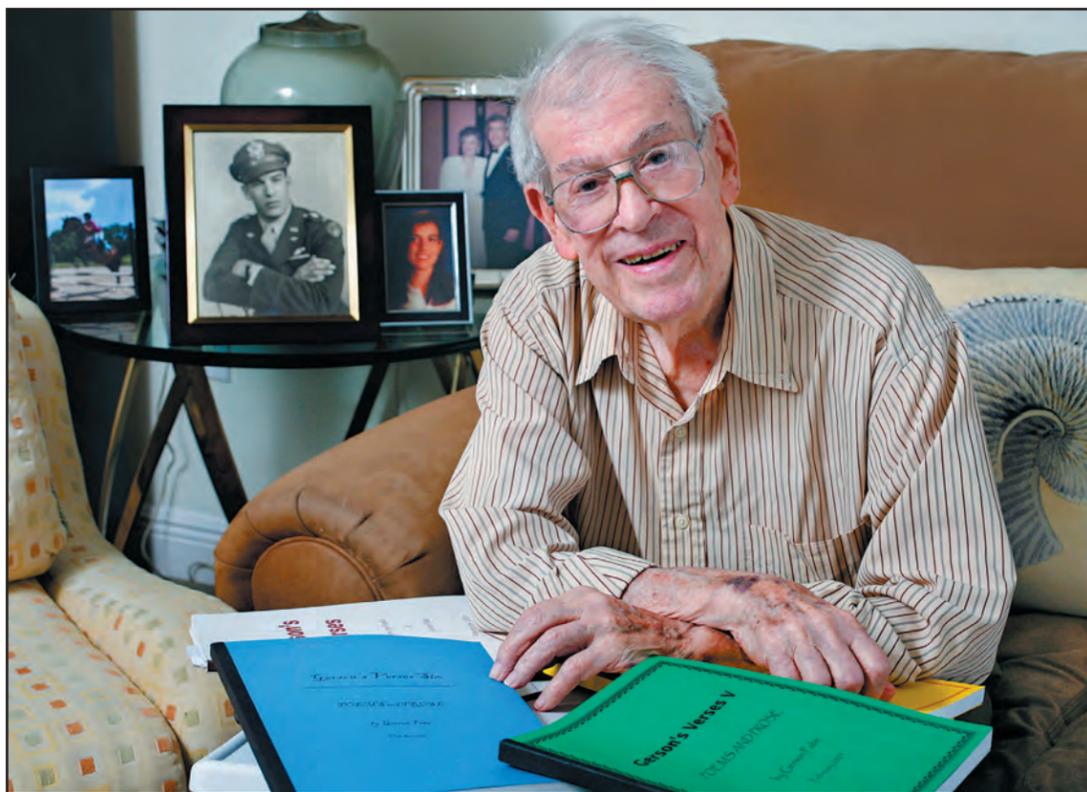
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Lantana



Gerson Fabe shows some of his works at The Carlisle Palm Beach. He shares a new poem daily with his fellow residents. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

The Bard of The Carlisle

Poet sets reality and romance to rhyme
(and is rewarded with an eager audience)

By Willie Howard

Whether he's poking fun at our culture's loss of civility or delving into his imagination to create wistful romantic images, Gerson Fabe enjoys writing poems and sharing them with fellow residents of The Carlisle Palm Beach, a senior living community in Lantana.

When Carlisle residents arrive in the dining room for breakfast, many of them find something special on the pressed white tablecloths — sheets of paper bearing the headline "Poem of the Day."

Fabe, who turns 96 this month, studied writing in New York, where he was a life insurance agent. He started writing poems and short stories after he retired and moved to Boynton Beach more than 30 years ago.

Fabe translates thoughts into rhyming stanzas of poetry on a computer in his fourth-floor apartment at The Carlisle. Words from television spark some of his ideas. Sometimes, he begins a poem, shelves it — and finishes it later.

In addition to poetry, Fabe has published a collection of short stories titled *Short Stories for Trips of All Sizes*. Each story has a suggested reading time, listed in the index.

Born on Sept. 28, 1921, Fabe grew up in Cincinnati, where he worked for his high school newspaper.

After studying mechanical engineering for two years at the University of Cincinnati, Fabe learned that what would become the Air Force needed men with mechanical backgrounds during World War II.

Fabe had become a pilot before entering the Air Force, so after 13 weeks of training at Yale University, he became an Air Force test pilot.

He was the first to fly planes after they'd been repaired. Partly because of his careful preflight inspections, Fabe never had to ditch a plane during his six years in the Air Force.

Flying emerges as a theme in some of his poems, such as *Come Fly With Me*, a romantic piece written in 1996, the year Fabe lost his wife, Joan.

Other Fabe poems, such as *The Lament of Old Age* and *Through the Fog*, address the effects of aging.

"Any poem that deals in some way with age everybody loves because they see themselves as the poem unfurls," Fabe said.

Fabe started sharing his poems with other residents after moving to The Carlisle three years ago. After finding a few copies of his poems in the dining room at breakfast, residents began to ask for them.

He usually prints 25 copies of his daily poem and distributes them at breakfast.

"Everybody seems to love them," Fabe said, noting that some residents walk up to him with their hands out, expecting a copy. ★

Poems by Gerson Fabe

The Lament of Old Age

My stamina and I
Are no longer speaking.
My left knee joint
Is loudly creaking.
But I'm glad to be here.

My blood pressure
Whirls out of sight.
My eyes can't tell
If it's day or night.
But I'm glad to be here.

My right arm ignores
My other hand
My heart is pumping
To beat the band.
But I'm glad to be here.

My kidney ignores
The plight of my liver
And I've been totally rejected
As a whole blood giver
But I'm damn glad to be here.

Through the Fog

Memories flit in and out of a fog
That grows denser as we age
The moment in which they reveal
themselves
Is as swift as just turning a page.

A segment of the past appears,
then
Drifts away in the blink of an eye.
Although you see them for but an
instant
You live it again as if it had just
gone bye.

Pleasant memories are always
welcome
but sometimes leave the mind
agog.
Then of course there are the other
kind
These we'll wish back into the fog.

New beach parking kiosks promise to be more precise

By Mary Thurwachter

Relief is coming for those frustrated with getting the parking kiosks to work efficiently at the Lantana Municipal Beach. The Town Council at its Aug. 14 meeting agreed to spend \$18,871 for three new kiosks.

"The ones we have aren't working to our liking," Mayor Dave Stewart said. "We've been testing new ones and there have not been any issues."

Town Manager Deborah Manzo said the two parking kiosks at the beach were becoming unmanageable because of communication issues between them.

"As a result, two major problems developed," Manzo said. "Long communication time between kiosks caused timeouts to cancel the transaction, which ultimately resulted in the Police Department having to download kiosk summaries to determine who had or had not paid, and thereby reducing Police Department efficiency."

Having kiosks that can communicate with each other provides for payment convenience — you can use any of the three kiosks no matter where your car is parked. It's also useful for police when determining

which cars need to be ticketed.

Town officials like two pilot kiosks from IPS Group Inc. that are undergoing testing.

The two existing kiosks, purchased four years ago, will be moved to Sportsman's Park and Lyman Kayak Park. Since the two will be standalone kiosks, communication and enforcement problems are unlikely to develop, Manzo said.

The three new beach kiosks come with 24-hour technical support, two coin boxes per machine, a warranty and a cellphone app.

In other news, the council agreed to waive the parking requirement for wheel stops for the commercial section of Water Tower Commons, the 72-acre retail and residential project at the old A.G. Holley State Hospital site.

Developers will be permitted to eliminate 819 of the 1,177 wheel stops in the original design. Planners said the stops were tripping hazards for people who walk across the parking lot.

The town also learned that the first known store for the project, a Walmart Neighborhood Market, is applying for a building permit and expects to begin construction in January. ★

Town says no to paying for Chamber's awning

By Mary Thurwachter

The Lantana Town Council turned down Chamber of Commerce President Dave Arm's request to split the cost of a new awning for the Chamber's home, a town-owned building at 212 Iris Ave.

Council members, at the Aug. 28 meeting, said the town should not pay anything for the awning, a \$1,500 project, since maintenance of the building, according to the 2013 contract, is the responsibility of the Chamber of Commerce.

The Chamber leases the building for \$1 a year. It's a good deal, everyone agrees, but when it comes time for sprucing up, the Chamber has looked to the town for financial support in the recent past. When the building needed to be restuccoed and painted, a \$10,000 project, the town agreed to pay half.

That was different, Mayor Dave Stewart said, because the building was deteriorating and the town was helping to preserve one of its assets. "I

don't know what the public purpose of buying an awning would be," he said.

Arm argued that the expense of the awning should be shared by the town.

"This is a signature building owned by the town and an obvious landmark," Arm said.

Council member Phil Aridas said he didn't think the town should bear any responsibility for purchasing the striped awning.

"We give it [the building] to you for a dollar a year," Aridas said. "You should get what you want and pay for it."

Stewart said he had talked to the Wellington mayor about ethics complaints she faced, which included expenses such as paying a tip of 18-20 percent instead of 15 percent, and purchasing a dessert for more than \$5.

"The inspector general is very concerned about spending money that is inappropriate, and I don't want to be sitting before an ethics commission for spending \$750 for an awning," he said. ★

Along the Coast

Pennies aplenty: How municipalities plan to use sales-tax revenue

By Jane Smith,
Dan Moffett and Rich Pollack

Coastal towns in south Palm Beach County are flush with cash thanks to their shares of the voter-approved penny sales tax increase that started in January.

The money began flowing into municipal coffers in March and will continue for 10 years. Population determines how the cash is doled out, giving the three largest South County cities the most money in the area. The county receives about 30 percent of the money from the extra 1-cent sales tax and the Palm Beach County School District gets the largest share at 50 percent.

The cities can spend the money only on infrastructure needs such as repairing or building roads, sewers, water lines and fire stations or making park improvements.

Delray Beach

Delray Beach issued a \$31.5 million bond to immediately proceed with its capital improvement needs at its own pace, instead of waiting for the annual allotment. The bond amount is below the city's estimated allocation of \$38 million. The city plans to use the \$3.8 million annual incremental sales tax payments for repayment of the

bond — both principal and interest.

"We wanted an adequate cushion between the anticipated penny tax revenues and our repayment obligations for debt service and total principal repayment," Mayor Cary Glickstein said in an email. Instead of waiting for incremental payments over 10 years where project costs would escalate and limit what the city could do, the city sought bond proposals from lending institutions, he said. The city received eight responses.

City Attorney Max Lohman, who serves in the same capacity for Palm Beach Gardens, suggested the bond and the outside attorney to act as the bond counsel, Morris "Skip" Miller of the Greenspoon Marder law firm.

Miller told Delray Beach commissioners in late June that the interest rate was 1.96 percent from Bank of America. Commissioners liked that low rate, especially when they heard the rate secured by Palm Beach Gardens was slightly more at 2.1 percent.

"That's the benefit of having a city attorney who works with other cities," interim City Manager Neal de Jesus said at the late June meeting.

The mayor called the bond "innovative financing; most

notable being the bond costs taxpayers nothing."

The city will complete projects now rather than later when both construction costs and interest rates may be much higher, the mayor said.

Delray Beach has a long list of improvements and replacements that were delayed during the recession.

It includes a new fire station on Linton Boulevard, sidewalk improvements outside of the downtown, park improvements, public sea walls along the Intracoastal Waterway and the second phase of the beach master plan.

The city will allow Palm Beach County's League of Cities' Infrastructure Surtax Citizen Oversight Committee to determine how the sales tax dollars are spent.

Cities participating in the committee submit project names, justification for using sales tax money and the amount to be spent to the league's executive director by June 30, prior to the start of each financial year.

By Feb. 28 following the end of each budget year, each participating city will submit independent auditor management letter comments related to the spending of the sales tax dollars.

Boca Raton

Boca Raton, estimated to

receive \$5.3 million annually, has created an Infrastructure Surtax Fund to accept and spend the money, according to the city's website. Its Financial Advisory Board will oversee how the money is spent.

Throughout the recession, Boca Raton maintained its roads, water lines, parks and beaches. It does not have a backlog, Mayor Susan Haynie has said.

Among the potential projects listed on the city website are road resurfacing, pedestrian pathways, sidewalk renovation and repair, park improvements, and bridge and sea wall repairs.

Palm Beach County plans to spend \$6.8 million of its sales tax share in Boca Raton, according to a list provided by County Commissioner Steven Abrams. The amount includes \$1.85 million to resurface Crawford Boulevard between Palmetto Park and Glades roads.

Boynton Beach

Boynton Beach plans to spend its share of the sales tax money this year, about \$4.4 million, on city sidewalks, Public Works Director Jeff Livergood said at the city's budget hearings in July.

For next year, Boynton Beach will spend the penny tax dollars in its parks, Livergood said. The list includes upgrades at

the Intracoastal Park and Clubhouse, improvements at Oceanfront Park, repairing the Coast Guard building and its restrooms at Harvey Oyer Jr. Park, and making the pathway handicap-accessible at Mangrove Walk at the city's marina.

The following year, the proceeds will go to the city's Town Square improvements, Livergood said.

"We have sufficient dollars for the next nine years to maintain the park structures," he said. "But after the penny sales tax is gone, the question will be: How will we maintain them? We will have that discussion next year."

Boynton Beach has established its own oversight board, Livergood said.

Elsewhere

In the smaller coastal towns, leaders have a mix of ideas for the penny sales tax proceeds.

- **Lantana**, projected to receive about \$739,352 annually, will dedicate the money to sidewalk improvements, repaving roads and parking lots, and beach improvements during the next year.

- **Highland Beach**, which initially didn't expect to receive any money because its leaders didn't think the voter referendum would pass, now hopes to use the approximately \$200,000 a year to pay for improvements to its walking path, according to a proposal of the mayor as head of the town's Ad Hoc Citizen Streetscape Committee.

- **Ocean Ridge**, which will receive about \$107,000 annually, has talked about installing traffic calming devices on side streets.

- **South Palm Beach** wants to use its annual allocation of \$82,300 to help defray the cost of concrete groins on the beach. The money can't be used to replace beach sand between the groins.

- **Gulf Stream**, one of 15 Palm Beach County cities that will use the League of Cities to monitor the sales tax program, will use its \$60,000 annually to offset the cost of burying utility lines, Town Manager Greg Dunham said. "We have a line item for the penny sales tax in next year's budget to do that," he said.

Or the town could let it accrue, which it is allowed to do, Dunham said.

- **Manalapan** may use its annual allocation of \$25,000 to help rebuild swales on Point Manalapan.

- **Briny Breezes** will let its \$25,000 annual amount accumulate for a few years. Its leaders eventually want to do something meaningful, such as build wider sidewalks for golf carts to use. ★

Mary Thurwachter contributed to this report.

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Boynton Beach

Commission sends plans for Town Square back for more work

By Jane Smith

City commissioners didn't like the initial plans presented for Town Square, a 16-acre development that is supposed to create an active downtown for Boynton Beach. They saw designs presented Aug. 21 at a special commission meeting at the city library.

They told the development team, which the city hired as partner in the project, they want a bustling Ocean Avenue with wide sidewalks for outdoor cafes, tree-lined streets and little shops.

"I don't see any of that," Commissioner Joe Casello said. "I see apartments and parking garages."

One proposed apartment building sits on Ocean Avenue, near the intersection with Southeast First Street. The other apartment buildings are on Town Square's southern border of Southeast Second Avenue.

The only two existing buildings proposed to stay in their locations are the historic high school and the Schoolhouse Children's Museum, Assistant City Manager Colin Groff said. The project's boundaries roughly are Boynton Beach Boulevard on the north, Seacrest Boulevard on the west, Southeast Second Avenue on south and Southeast First Street on the east.

For the 1927 high school, Straticon Construction is seeking permits to begin remediation work, Groff said. Once that is finished, its engineers and architect can walk through the building and see what can be reused. He mentioned the trusses and the wood flooring in the second-floor gym.

"If we do this right, the gym can be one of the best places in Palm Beach County," Groff said. It will be able to seat 500 for concerts and 250 at tables for weddings and other big events.

The first floor will contain the city classes and activities currently taking place in the Arts Center and Civic Center, Groff said. The first floor also will have a warming kitchen that can serve the meetings and events on the second floor, he said.

Groff received approval to move forward with the design of a district energy system that would serve all buildings in Town Square. The chiller system is energy-efficient and will help reduce the carbon footprint of Boynton Beach, he said. The design cost of the two-floor building is \$307,000. The energy plant will cost \$10 million to build.

The energy plant will sit on the north side of the high school and will be designed in similar style, Groff said.

"The equipment will be on the first floor and the cooling towers on the second floor," he said.

He also received commission approval to spend \$69,000 to design a new water and sewer system for Town Square, estimated to cost taxpayers about \$94.5 million.

Only Commissioner Mack McCray was opposed to spending the money. "I'm not in favor of what I see," he said.

In plans presented in April, the library was going to be a separate building within Town Square, but commissioners learned that the two-story portion of the building has leaks and air-conditioning problems. They also want to remove Town Square traffic from Southeast Second Avenue, a residential street.

That's why they'd like to combine the library and city hall in one, four-story building at the southeast corner of Seacrest Boulevard and Ocean Avenue, Groff said.

"A lot of city halls have civic space on the first floor," said Wayne Dunkelberger, the architect designing the public buildings in Town Square. "We also can have the café from the library there."

The police headquarters will be built on a city-owned parcel at the southeast

intersection of High Ridge Road and Gateway Boulevard, just west of the interstate.

Casello and Commissioner Christina Romelus and Vice Mayor Justin Katz said the land on that location is valuable and could be sold to a hotel developer. They want to see the police headquarters on the east side of the interstate.

But McCray said they had voted to put the police headquarters there and that's what he wants to do.

Mayor Steven Grant gave Groff a compromise to work with: Try to find an eastern site that is suitable. If one can't be found, then build the headquarters on High Ridge Road.

A new Fire Station 1 is planned just outside Town Square, at the northeast corner of Northeast First Street and Northeast First Avenue.

Romelus also said she wants to see townhouses and condos in Town Square that people could buy, not just rental apartments.

Groff said the development team will take the commissioners' input and develop a draft site plan with individual building plans by Sept. 28, a draft financial plan on Oct. 17 that commissioners will have to approve and then a vote on Nov. 7 about proceeding to Phase II, the construction phase. ★

Grant money helps eateries open, move, improve

By Jane Smith

Restaurant owner Brian Nickerson is the kind of restaurateur the city's Community Redevelopment Agency wants to attract.

Nickerson, who started with a food truck selling his version of Mexican fare, operated out of a former Pantry Pride location that had "parking challenges," no air conditioning and no restrooms for its patrons.

By the second week of September, his Boss Tacos will move about 2 miles north to 1550 N. Federal Highway. The Boynton Beach plaza has ample parking, and the space will have restrooms and air conditioning.

"The place we're in now is hot and sweaty in the summer," Nickerson said. "We lose half of our business in the summer."

In August, his restaurant was approved for a matching rent grant up to \$15,000 because the food is locally sourced and made on site.

Boss Tacos is one of the restaurants and other food-related places flocking to eastern Boynton Beach, partially because of the agency's economic grants.

This budget year, the agency awarded about 33 percent of the grants to eateries, said Theresa Utterback, development services specialist for the CRA.

One recent recipient was Troy's Bar-Be-Que restaurant, part of the city for more than 20 years.

"I looked online and found them," Anthony Barber said about the grants. "We wanted to move."

In late spring, Troy's moved about 2 miles south



Construction is nearing completion to transform the Little House into Fork Play. **Jerry Lower/The Coastal Star**

of its takeout stand on North Federal Highway to a sit-down restaurant on South Federal, just south of Woolbright Road.

"The grants are reimbursement for the money you spend," said Barber, an owner/manager at Troy's. "When we submit the paperwork and receive the money, we will reinvest it in the business."

His father, Troy Davis, opened the rib takeout stand in 1996.

In June, the agency board approved Troy's to receive an interior build-out grant of \$8,000, a sign grant of \$594 and rent reimbursement of \$15,000.

Besides requiring multiyear leases and the grant recipients to provide matching money, the agency has several safeguards before the taxpayer dollars are given, Utterback said.

The agency staff runs credit reports on each corporate officer/manager. The average credit score cannot be below 601 and no bankruptcies can appear on the credit reports or the grant applicant is disqualified, she said.

All appropriate permits must be applied for and no money is released until the city issues a certificate of occupancy or certificate of completion, she said. In addition, agency rules require state corporate documents to be current. Business tax receipts for Boynton Beach and Palm Beach County must be provided.

For the build-out grants, final release of liens from all contractors must be provided. Then, agency staff does a lien search to ensure no liens remain on the leased property. The landlord must sign the grant applications.

Interior build-out and commercial façade grant dollars apply only to improvements that stay with the building, not for the tenant's equipment. That way, the space remains improved for the next tenant, Utterback said.

Completed applications are forwarded to the agency board for approval.

Fork Play, which will go into the former cottage known as the Little House,

had the grants made part of its purchase agreement. After the restaurant opens in late September, property owner Richard Lucibella and his partner, Barbara Ceuleers, can apply for a \$25,000 façade grant, 3.3 percent of the construction cost not to exceed \$66,000 and interior build-out costs not to exceed \$45,000.

Fork Play will feature small bites, called tapas, and wines and craft brews. The eatery at 480 E. Ocean Ave. will be run by Lisa Mercado, who also operates the Living Room restaurant in Boynton Beach. She plans to hold a soft opening the week before the Sept. 30 grand opening.

The historic Magnuson House owner, Bruce Kaplan, has the same deal for the grants. In addition, the house at 211 E. Ocean Ave. had never been used as a restaurant. The agency will give Kaplan an extra \$200,000 to do the conversion.

Kaplan, who lives in the Philadelphia area, has made several visits to interview contractors and restaurant operators, said his architect, Jim Williams.

"Once [Kaplan] picks a contractor, then we can get the building permits," Williams said.

Construction will take at least eight months, pushing the restaurant's opening into summer of next year, he said.

Del Sol Bakery opened in May in Ocean Palm Plaza at 1600 N. Federal Highway. Its grant of \$1,100 for interior build-out was approved in July 2016. The grant amount was increased to \$3,010 in May after the bakery tenants completed

some of the improvements the landlord had agreed to do. The bakery also received a rent reimbursement grant of \$8,550 and a signage grant of \$2,250.

"The grants are very helpful, especially for a new business," said bakery owner Michelle Gingold. "They're definitely worth filling out the paperwork. We have received some of the money already."

Gingold said she looked in Delray Beach first, but there is less competition in Boynton Beach. "We like being in an upcoming area," she said.

Earlier this year, Jim Guilbeault, who received three CRA grants, changed the name of his casual restaurant from Culinary To Go to Gilby's Restaurant. The name better reflects what's happening inside the former Denny's diner on South Federal Highway.

He chose Gilby because he answered to that nickname in high school. Friends could not figure out how to say his last name (pronounced GILL-bow), so they shortened it to Gilby. His kids when they were in high school also were called by that name.

Guilbeault's 15-year-old catering business will remain under the Culinary Solutions name. It provides food and beverages to Kravis Center events, along with catering birthday parties, bar mitzvahs and other celebrations.

Guilbeault's son is working with the CRA's two new social media business consultants — Matthew Meinzer and Jamil Donith. They will help Gilby's improve its social media presence. ★

10 Questions

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR: Greg Harrison

Dr. Greg Harrison's cellphone doesn't just ring. It also quacks.

And that's fitting for Harrison, who for more than 40 years has been known as South Florida's bird doctor, a veterinarian whose avian specialty made him the person to see if your parrot, cockatiel or macaw was under the weather.

Through the years, Harrison's wife of more than 54 years, Linda, has been by his side, working in their clinic and writing brochures and other materials. The two also worked together on several books.

"We were partners the entire time," Linda Harrison says.

Now retired and living in South Palm Beach, the Harrisons no longer spend time looking after sick pet birds or helping healthy ones stay well.

They do, however, help those who are still practicing avian medicine, with Greg serving as a mentor, a monitor for two Facebook groups and being available online to answer questions.

The two also travel often and continue to own Harrison's Bird Foods, a company that makes organic, non-GMO food and is now run by their daughter.

A true scientist, Harrison was one of the first to focus on avian wellness, looking at ways to prevent health problems through proper nutrition.

With 160 acres of farmland in Nebraska, Greg Harrison also is experimenting with new techniques to make farming more organic and sustainable.

Both from small towns in Iowa, Linda, 76, and Greg, 75, met while in the Iowa State University Singers choral group. While Greg was in veterinary school, Linda went into education, teaching home economics.

She later founded her own company, Zoological Education



Linda and Greg Harrison of South Palm Beach hold a few of the permanent residents of The Bird & Exotic Hospital in Greenacres. Pictured are Peeps, a yellow budgie; Jake, a Mexican redhead parrot, and Baby, a Congo African grey parrot.

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Network, producing educational materials for veterinarians as well as hosting seminars.

Greg Harrison first developed an interest in birds while growing up in rural Iowa.

"It was common for people to have an outdoor garden, and we became familiar with the birds," he said, adding that his father built birdhouses. "We'd spend hours out there watching the birds."

As a young man, Harrison would take care of baby and injured birds.

"Holding a bird in my hand got to be a passion," he said.

A parakeet that Harrison got as a pet while in high school

sealed the deal and set him on his future path.

After he graduated with a degree in veterinary medicine, Harrison came to South Florida and soon set up a general veterinary practice near Lake Worth, with a farm nearby that included cows, pigs, horses and, of course, birds.

Birds evolved into a specialty as they grew in popularity as pets and as Harrison helped introduce an endoscopic process for determining gender.

Early on, the Harrisons started raising birds and at one point had 200 parrots on the property that were cared for partly by Linda.

Harrison became internationally known for his innovation and expertise in caring for pet birds and in 1980 was called upon to serve as the first president of the Association of Avian Veterinarians. Linda also played an active role in the international organization.

— Rich Pollack

Q. Where did you grow up and go to school? How do you think that has influenced you?

A. Both Linda and I grew up in small farming communities in Iowa (fewer than 3,500 people each) and attended an agricultural college, Iowa State University. Because of this, I think I have a better understanding of mega-agriculture and the effects of pesticides and other additives on plants, animals and the way farmland has been diminished.

Q. What professions have you worked in? What professional accomplishments are you most proud of?

A. Because I was certain when I was 9 years old that I was going to be a veterinarian, I tended to seek jobs working with veterinary clinics, although I had my time as janitor, dishwasher, warehouse operator, and milk- and paper-delivery jobs during college.

I am most proud of being instrumental in starting the Association of Avian Veterinarians, which still exists today, and of developing Harrison's Bird Foods.

Q. What advice do you have for a young person selecting a career today?

A. The world is changing rapidly, and it is hard to know what the future of veterinary medicine or any career holds. Besides technological advancements, I would think anything to do with food and water — how it can be grown, marketed, packaged and delivered sustainably — would be beneficial to all mankind.

Q. How did you choose to make your home in South Palm Beach and what is your favorite part about living there?

A. We spent a lot of time at Lake Worth public beach when we first moved to this area, and the desire to live on the beach became part of our bucket list. Our apartment in South Palm Beach overlooks the ocean, so we are very appreciative of it for surfing, paddle boarding, swimming, snorkeling, walking and viewing turtle crawls.

Q. What book are you reading now?

A. *On Tyranny*, by Leo Strauss, and *Iron John*, by

Robert Bly.

Q. Do you have a favorite quote that inspires you?

A. "In the land of the blind, the one-eyed man is king." This proverb seemed to describe my early professional life in working with pet birds, because there were very few people who had the same interest at that time, and I was just "winging it."

Q. If your life story were made into a movie, who would you want to play you?

A. Harrison Ford.

Q. Have you had mentors in your life? Individuals who have inspired your life decisions?

A. In Iowa growing up, I started working with the local veterinarian as a junior high student. I admired his hard work, honesty and his commitment to his family, his clients and the town.

Q. What are some of the honors you recently received?

A. In 2016, I was asked to lecture in Vienna, where I received an award from the Austrian Small Animal Veterinary Association for my work in avian medicine. Linda and I were recently in Washington, D.C., where we worked with the Avian and Wildlife Lab at the University of Miami in co-sponsoring a screening of the movie *Racing Extinction* to the Association of Avian Veterinarians.

Q. Do you have a favorite bird?

A. Ospreys go fishing right outside our balcony, so I love to watch them.

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Boynton Beach/Ocean Ridge

At city's request, town looks into dog beach potential

By Jane Smith

Animals are banned from the beach in Ocean Ridge, according to Town Manager Jamie Titcomb.

Even so, the town would consider a formal proposal from Boynton Beach to allow dogs on that city's adjoining 960-foot-long beach.

After the dog beach idea was floated in early August at a Boynton Beach City Commission meeting, Titcomb said he received a number of phone calls from Ocean Ridge residents. They were worried that Boynton Beach dogs were about to overrun them, he said.

"Besides wanting it, no formal request has been made," Titcomb said in late August. "We need to know what it might look like, the hours it will be open and how it will be enforced before we go about changing the ordinances. It will be a public process."

Boynton Beach Recreation and Parks Director Wally Majors said he might have misunderstood how the city wanted him to proceed with communications on the project. He's been focused on the city's proposed Town Square project and the end of summer camps. He called Town Square the most exciting thing he's seen in his 32 years working for Boynton Beach. Programs at the city's arts and civic centers will be moved to the renovated historic high school.

"The confusion was on my part," Majors said. He contacted nearby cities that have dog beaches to find out

how they are set up. He is still waiting to hear from Boca Raton. Jupiter has a volunteer group that runs its dog beach.

Majors wants to be a good neighbor to Ocean Ridge.

Decades ago, Boynton Beach sold most of its oceanfront land to people who then formed the town of Ocean Ridge.

Ocean Ridge police patrol the parking lots at Oceanfront Park and make sure the gates are locked at night, according to town Police Chief Hal Hutchins. As far as the beach goes, Ocean Ridge has a vehicle it uses to patrol its beach, the city stretch and the county beach.

"There are strong emotions on both sides of the issue," Titcomb said. "As passionate as dog owners are, there are people who are fearful of dogs."

Boynton Beach may want to allow dogs at its Oceanfront Park, but how will they keep them on the city's beach? Titcomb asked.

"We are willing to explore it, if Boynton Beach will give us a proposal to review," Titcomb said.

Majors agrees there are many issues to consider, including rules about cleanup, how to handle aggressive dogs and whether the dogs should be leashed or allowed to roam.

And he wondered what would happen to sea turtle nests, because some dogs like to dig.

Both men own dogs. Majors has two, including a therapy dog that stays at his side throughout the workday. ★

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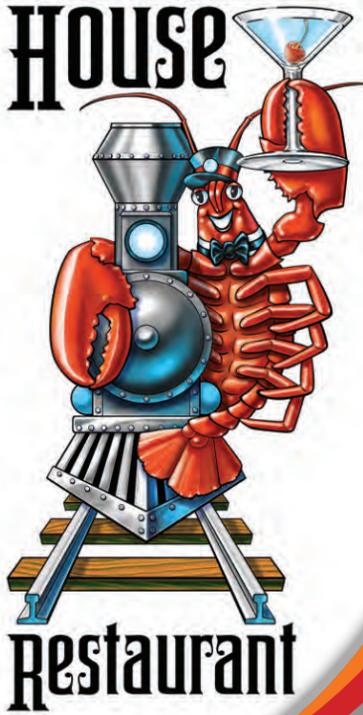
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Obituaries

Garrett James Ward

By Steve Plunkett

GULF STREAM — By many retirement standards, Gary Ward was young.

But at age 41, after 21 years as a New York City policeman and 2½ years in the Army, he did retire. In 1988 he packed up his belongings and moved to Boynton Beach.



His retirement didn't last long. "Naturally he wanted to go to work again. He was too young to retire," his

wife, Barbara, said.

So he drove up and down State Road A1A and was struck by the charm of Gulf Stream and its towering Australian pines. "He said to me, 'I think that's where I want to work. It's very nice,'" Mrs. Ward recalled.

Hired within a month, he rose through the ranks to become chief in 2000. But a bad stroke sidelined him last summer. Chief Ward died July 25 and was given a full military burial at Long Island National Cemetery on Aug. 1. He was 73.

His wife said he "loved, loved, loved" working in Gulf Stream and had reported for duty until the day before his stroke.

"He used to say it was like working in paradise," Mrs. Ward said.

Anthony Pugliese remembered driving a little too fast on A1A and unexpectedly meeting the new officer.

"He pulled me over 27, 28 years ago pulling into my driveway," Pugliese said.

The developer got off with a warning, and the two chatted by phone several times a year ever since. "I couldn't say enough nice things about him. It's a big loss for the town," Pugliese said.

Christopher Yannuzzi, former police chief of Ocean Ridge, called Chief Ward "a mentor to me" on the Boynton Memorial Chapel's website.

"It was an honor to know him and call him friend," Yannuzzi wrote.

Before his police work, Chief Ward was assigned to the Army's security agency in Thailand just before the Vietnam War. He was not

allowed to speak about his duties there, even to his wife. "I never knew what he did — it was a secret kind of thing," she said.

Mrs. Ward described her husband as "pretty much of a loner" and a man "very close" to his children, Garrett Jr., who also lives in Boynton Beach, and Kristin Hubbard, who lives in Deerfield Beach with her husband, Brett, and children, Liliana, 3, and Jonathan, 16 months.

As they grew older, the chief and his wife focused on family and each other. After work they would tune the TV set to PBS.

"We were pretty much addicted to British television detective stories," Mrs. Ward said.

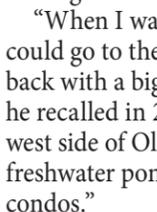
Along with his wife, children and grandchildren, Chief Ward is survived by brothers Paul in Boynton Beach; Kevin, Peter and Mark in New York; sister Lenore Coogan in New York, and many nephews and nieces.

In addition to the burial in Farmingdale, N.Y., a wake was held at Boynton Memorial Chapel on July 28.

David Hugh David

By Ron Hayes

BRINY BREEZES — David David was a pioneer, a lifelong resident of Briny Breezes who knew the town as a child when it had only one telephone, a teenager who surfed its waves, and a man who remembered the changes he'd seen with both nostalgia and regret.



"When I was a kid, you could go to the beach and come back with a big bag of shells," he recalled in 2015. "And the west side of Old A1A was all freshwater ponds. Now it's all condos."

Mr. David died July 26 at Bethesda Memorial Hospital. He was 66 and had suffered from diabetes.

The only son of Hugh David, who served as the town's mayor for 34 years, David David wore his redundant name with pride and a smile.

"It gave me a sense of humor," he would tell you. "I was never teased about it, and I'd never change it."

David Hugh David was born on June 20, 1951, in St. Louis, but he did not stay long. When a fire destroyed their Missouri home in the late 1940s, Hugh and Marilyn David brought their young family to Florida in a 28-foot trailer and found the fledgling trailer park.

In 1953, they became permanent residents. David David was 2.

He was still a boy when Edith Louise Behm's parents bought a trailer in the late 1950s. The two children grew up together, and in 1970 Edith Behm became a permanent resident. Over the years the two children became friends, then romantic partners, and on May 23, 2015, they became husband and wife. Edith Behm is a retired art and music program planner for Palm Beach County schools.

"He was kind and gentle and sweet," she said, "and he always put others ahead of himself."

During his teenage years, Mr. David was an award-winning surfer.

"David had a very smooth style and helped the Cripple Creek Surf Club win some contests held locally," remembers Tom Warnke, historian of the Florida Surfing Museum in Lake Park. "He was a team rider for Charlie Keller's Boynton Beach Surf Shop a block east of U.S. 1 on Ocean Avenue. That was when shortboards were invented and David was always a step ahead of the rest of the local crew, graduating from boards that were 9-foot-6-inches, to 8-foot, then 7-foot-6-inches, then 7-foot-2-inches, and finally about 6-foot-10."

Except for seven years' service in the U.S. Army, where he served as a sergeant in the 4th Infantry Division's signal corps,

Briny Breezes was his home. He worked in construction and cared for his mother.

After being diagnosed with diabetes, he was advised by doctors at the VA hospital to wear hats to protect against melanoma, and the hats soon became a trademark.

His father, Hugh David, died in 1997 at 75, and Marilyn David in 2016 at 93. David David was the last of his family still residing in the town.

Rita Taylor, who came to Briny Breezes in 1967 and served as its clerk for 35 years, knew the family well.

"I'm so sorry to hear of David's passing," she said. "He was a 'Briny child,' and I can't imagine the town without a David living here. They are all truly missed."

In addition to his wife, he is survived by three sisters and their husbands: Judy and Tim Wood of Boynton Beach, Diane and Ken Potter of Atlantis, and Denise and David Berg of San Diego.

Mr. David is to be buried at sea off Briny Breezes, as were his parents. A memorial service will be held in the town's clubhouse after the winter residents return.

His wife requests that donations in his memory be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, the American Diabetes Association, Peggy Adams Animal Rescue League or the Republican Party.



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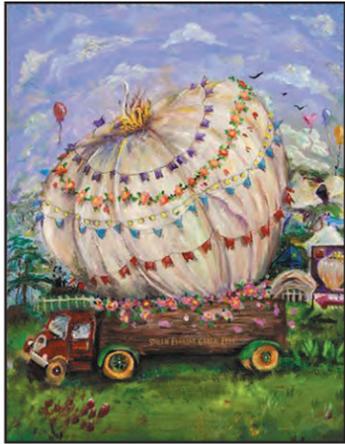
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Business Spotlight

Senior living community finishes \$20M upgrade

Harbour's Edge, a senior living community at 401 E. Linton Blvd., Delray Beach, recently completed the \$20 million renovation of its new Lifelong Learning Center, a renovated theater, new spa and fitness center, a second dining venue and a remodeled restaurant with a new exhibition kitchen and wine bar. Also, it named a new executive director, **James Horsman**, a hotelier with more than 30 years of luxury hotel and resort experience at properties that include The Ritz-Carlton Hotel company and Destination Hotels.



Loveless' poster won the Florida Festivals & Events Association's top honor.

Garlic Fest may have moved to Lake Worth, but Delray Beach artist **Rebecca Loveless** still comes out smelling like a rose. She won the first place SUNSational Award for the best commemorative poster during the Florida Festivals & Events Association's 23rd annual convention and trade show in Orlando last month.

Other local winners in the \$250,000-plus budget category were **iHeart Media**, first place for best radio spot; and **Real Time Marketing Group** of Delray Beach, third place for

best website, www.sflgarlicfest.com.

Garlic Fest was founded to establish a fundraising source for local nonprofit organizations. The festival donated more than \$610,000 this year.

The Florida Festivals & Events Association is a not-for-profit group that supports and promotes more than 3,500 festivals, events and fairs in Florida.

In August, **Alexander P. Lee**, 20, of Delray Beach, became a member of the National Society



Delray Beach Mayor Cary Glickstein (l-r) joins Kevin Knopf of Lifespace Communities and Dr. Leonard Sutton, president of the Harbour's Edge resident council, to celebrate the completion of the senior living community's \$20 million renovation to add amenities. **Photo provided**

of Collegiate Scholars. The son of Delray Beach residents Terry and Dorothy Lee, he is a junior at Florida Atlantic University majoring in mechanical engineering.

Kaufman Lynn Construction, which has its corporate office in Boca Raton with other offices in Florida, North Carolina and Texas, announced two new hires and two promotions.

Tom Thrasher was named



Thrasher

vice president of operations in Kaufman Lynn's South Florida headquarters. Previously, Thrasher held positions with Batson-Cook Construction, W.G. Yates and Sons and Archer-Western/Walsh



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Construction. Thrasher's experience included building dam projects, call centers and data centers for Blue Cross Blue Shield in Texas.

Jeff Blong joined Kaufman Lynn as vice president of



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preconstruction in its South Florida headquarters. He has worked on commercial projects that include performing arts centers, airports, churches and athletic facilities. He has held positions with Manhattan Construction Co., Hunt Construction Group and Hensel Phelps Construction Co.

Derek Wolfhope and **Dan Root** have both been promoted to vice presidents of operations. Wolfhope has been at Kaufman Lynn for 10 years. Notable projects he's contributed to include the Art Square in Hallandale, Claude Pepper Community Center, Signature at Doral, South of Atlantic in Delray Beach, Residences at Broken Sound, Pembroke Pines YMCA and Evernia Place in West Palm Beach. He's also contributed to the renovations of Palm Beach State College and the construction of multifamily communities.

Root, who oversees Kaufman Lynn's Estero office, led the company's preconstruction and construction effort for Moorings Park at Grey Oaks, a continuing care retirement community in southwest Florida. The Associated Builders and Contractors Florida Gulf Coast Chapter recognized the project with an Excellence in Construction award.

Yachtico Inc., a company within the Research Park at Florida Atlantic University, was singled out as a "Florida Company to Watch" by Florida economic development organization GrowFL.

The research park provides an environment for companies in the research and development stages. It is home to 20 high-tech, high-wage companies and five support organizations.

Yachtico operates a regional Technology Business Incubator with companies that collectively employ 1,484 people with average salaries of \$57,739, which include 149 FAU alumni and 107 student interns.

In 2016, the overall economic impact of the research park activities was \$643.5 million.

Yachtico connects customers who want to rent or charter boats with fleet operators and boat owners. GrowFL is certified by the National Center for Economic Gardening through the Edward Lowe Foundation, a national nonprofit that supports entrepreneurship through research, recognition and educational programs.

The Greater Boynton Beach Chamber of Commerce's networking luncheon on Sept. 13 will host a program featuring city Police Chief **Jeffrey Katz**. Networking will begin at 11:30 a.m. with the program to follow at noon. Cost is \$25. The event will be held at Benvenuto, 1730 N. Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach.

The chamber also is gearing up for its 47th annual Boynton Beach Chamber Golf Tournament, which will be Oct. 20 at the Indian Spring

Country Club, 11501 El Clair Ranch Road, Boynton Beach. Registration will be at 11:30 a.m.; a box lunch will be at noon; and the shotgun start is scheduled for 1 followed by a reception and award ceremony at 5:30.

Prices are \$550 for a foursome and \$150 for a single player. To be a tee sign sponsor, the cost is \$100. The tournament is sponsored by Porges & Eisenberg CPA LLC, TooJay's, Florida Power & Light, Senior Helpers, Bethesda Help, and Palm Beach Community Bank. For information and to register, call 732-9501 or email elda@boyntonbeach.org

The Lord's Place ranked seventh of the Top 30 Best Mid-sized Florida Companies to Work For in "The Best Companies" list featured in *Florida Trend* magazine's August issue. This was the fourth consecutive year the organization made the list.

The Lord's Place has worked for more than 30 years to help homeless people in Palm Beach County. Each year, hundreds of men, women and children transition out of homelessness at The Lord's Place family campus, its men's campus, three sites for homeless women and at more than 20 apartments throughout the county. The organization provides job training and placement as well as clinical services.

The Community Foundation for Palm Beach and Martin Counties this year awarded \$1.2 million in scholarships to 125 students who were evaluated by an advisory committee of board members and community volunteers based on a written application, test scores, transcripts and interviews. Individual scholarships ranged from \$1,000 to \$36,000 and were given to students from 32 high schools and colleges.

For information on the scholarship program, or about establishing a charitable fund at the Community Foundation, call 659-6800 or visit www.yourcommunityfoundation.org.

The League of Women Voters of Palm Beach County will offer two issues-oriented events this month. The first, a luncheon on "Why Courts Matter: The Impact Federal Court Decisions Have on Daily Lives," is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sept. 20 at the Atlantis Country Club, 190 Atlantis Blvd., Lake Worth. The keynote speaker is **Nancy Abudu**, director of legal operation for the American Civil Liberties Union of Florida. Tickets are \$25 before Sept. 10 and \$35 after. Register online at www.lwvpbc.org or call 968-4123.

The second event, at 6 p.m. Sept. 27, features **Irving**



The WAV Group, a real estate business and consulting firm, gave the Realtors Association of the Palm Beaches and Greater Fort Lauderdale Realtors its first WAVes of Change Award. **ABOVE:** (l-r) Marilyn Wilson, founder of the WAV Group; Kim Hansen, the Realtors' chief operating office; Dionna Hall, their CEO, and Ron Lennen, president-elect. **Photo provided**

Labovitz, adjunct professor of business law at Florida Atlantic University, whose topic is "Constitutional Crises (de jour) Guaranteed to Keep You Up at Night." The free presentation and Q&A will be held at the *Palm Beach Post* Auditorium, 2751 S. Dixie Highway, West Palm Beach. Register online at www.lwvpbc.org.

The Realtors Association of the Palm Beaches and Greater Fort Lauderdale Realtors were recognized as the top fundraising team by Habitat for Humanity Palm Beach County. The group donated more than \$5,200, and team captain **Kim Flossie** won the Pink Hammer Top Individual Fundraising Award.

The Community Outreach

Taskforce of the Palm Beaches created a team, Tutu's and Tool Belts, that raised money and helped construct a roof of a home.

Also, the association was honored by the WAV Group, a real estate business and consulting firm, with the first WAVes of Change Award for taking innovative steps to create positive waves of change in the industry.

The Space of Mind, a schoolhouse and community studio for students, adults, families and educators, will host a family open house from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sept. 9 to introduce its new coaches as well as the interior redesign.

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Silver International Realty opened a second business, Silver International Realty 30A, for agents in the Santa Rosa Beach area in the Florida Panhandle. Owner **Christel Silver's** daughter, **Sabine Robertson**, is on the sales team, and her grandson, **Judson Robertson**, has joined the company as an agent.

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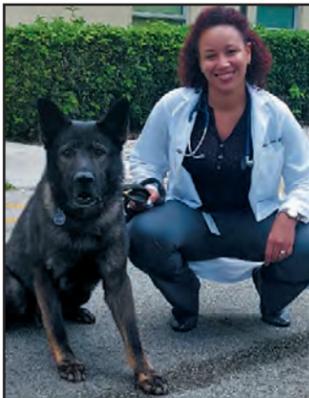
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The buzz about BEEES

Amateur hive keepers give life to a struggling species and receive insights into nature

By Ron Hayes

Catnip bores them. They don't chirp. Wouldn't fetch a stick to save your life. And they sometimes kill. Why in the world would anyone want to keep bees?

"No, they're not really a pet," concedes Colleen Paul-Hus, who set up her first hive in the living room of the Gulf Stream home she shares with her husband, Rich, and four young children. "But you can learn from them. They give

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ABOVE: Beekeeper Colleen Paul-Hus and her son Max wear suits and veils for safety while checking the family's backyard hives in Gulf Stream. Max says he has yet to be stung. **BACKGROUND:** Bees enter a hive owned by Nancy Palilonis of Delray Beach. Photos by Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star



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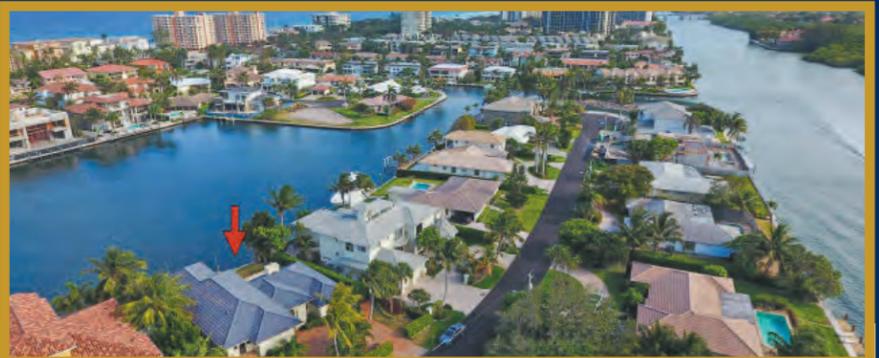
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BEES

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you an insight into nature. And we're curious people."

She's not alone. Last year, *Bee Culture* magazine estimated that the U.S. has about 120,000 amateur beekeepers, and the number is growing as a result of colony collapse disease. First identified in 2006, CCD is a phenomenon in which worker bees suddenly abandon a hive. Left without the bees that bring nectar and pollen to the queen bee and her babies, the hives die.

Suspected culprits include parasites, insecticides and climate change, but whatever its cause, the damage has devastated the commercial bee industry.

Between April 2014 and April 2015, about 42 percent of domestic honeybee colonies died, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture — an 8 percent jump from the year before.

"Colony collapse disease has brought an increase in backyard beekeepers because it made news," says Lee Wisnioski, vice president of the Palm Beach County Beekeepers Association. "People heard nearly half the hives were dying and felt this was something they could do to help."

Established in 1974, the local group has more than 200 members, Wisnioski said, of whom about 180 are hobbyists with just a few hives in the backyard.

Beekeeping is legal throughout Florida, he added, except that communities governed by homeowners associations may forbid them. However, all hives must be registered, and a modest annual fee paid, based on the number of hives. For backyard beekeepers with fewer than five hives, the fee is only \$10.

"I'm fearful of the bees going into decline," Paul-Hus agreed, "and I felt this would be a safe haven for them and a learning experience for the children."

Paul-Hus, raised on a farm in Ohio, has made her home on North Ocean Boulevard a testament to the family's love of flora and fauna. The garden grows tomatoes and potatoes, cucumbers and spinach, oranges, tangerines, parsley, rosemary and thyme.

The family has a very large, very friendly silver Lab named Sandy, and once kept Japanese fighting fish until someone put too much food in the tank and the fish succumbed.

"And we had nine or 10 chickens," she reveals, "but you needed a permit for the coop and we had to get rid of them."

And so, two years ago, she added a beehive.

In the living room.

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"It's called an observation hive," she explains.

Imagine a box about 2.5 by 1.5 feet square and perhaps 3 inches deep, with a glass front. This transparent box, which can hold up to six honeycomb frames, is attached to the wall, with a small passage leading from the honeycomb to the world outside, so worker bees



Nancy Palilonis checks on beehives at her home in Delray Beach. Her father and uncle got her involved in beekeeping when she was 7. Photos by Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star



Aaron Budney checks one of the hives he keeps at his mother's home west of Lake Worth.



Colleen Paul-Hus keeps an observation hive in the living room of her Gulf Stream house. Bees enter and exit via a small passage leading from the honeycomb to the world outside. Photo provided

can come and go.

Whereas other families watch TV or a crackling fire, the Paul-Huses can watch their bees make honey, without fear of being stung.

"That observation hive makes a lot of people want to keep bees," she says.

In June, she added an outside hive capable of holding up to 30 honeycomb frames.

"I'm the only one except my dad who hasn't been stung," boasts Max Paul-Hus, 8, who helps his mother tend the hive. "At first I was afraid but now it's fun." He dips his finger in a bowl of the very honey he helped harvest. "There's nothing I don't like about it."

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Aaron Budney found his first

hive in a discarded orange traffic cone on the vacant lot beside Briny Breezes Boulevard.

"I was interested in getting involved with nature," he says, "and my mother was interested in getting a tax deduction."

Budney, 21, who lives in the County Pocket, contacted the PBC Beekeepers Association, which provided a mentor to help him extract the hive and start a hobby.

Today he keeps two thriving hives behind his mother's house in the agricultural area west of Lake Worth, where they qualify for the deduction.

"I'm a novice beekeeper," he says. "I haven't had a honey harvest yet, but I'm fascinated by the whole process of caring for and observing them. There's so much more to it than just the honey."

On a sweltering Thursday afternoon, Budney donned the beekeeper's traditional garb — white hood and veil, shirt, pants and gloves — and began inspecting the hives while his mother watched from a distance.

As he worked, Budney grasped a hand-held smoker, a small can filled with burning pine needles. Bees sting when they feel threatened, and the sting releases a pheromone that brings other bees in a swarm. The burning pine keeps other bees from smelling that first release of pheromone and swarming.

"When you're stung, it's a sudden, sharp pain, and then it radiates like a hot needle and

swells for about an hour," Budney said. "And then it itches for a couple of days."

Budney has been stung five or six times, but never attracted a swarm.

On June 21 in Boca Raton, a beloved family dog named Delilah wasn't so lucky.

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The 7-year-old rottweiler mix died after being swarmed in the backyard of Debbie Leonard's home near Mizner Park.

When Delilah took refuge in the garage, Leonard's teenage children were able to reach her. The family veterinarian removed nearly 60 stingers from her body, but she'd gone into toxic shock and, despite repeated antibiotics, had to be put down.

At first, experts from the state Department of Agriculture speculated that Delilah may have been killed by a colony of feral "Africanized" bees found on a nearby tree. Imported from South America in the 1950s, the subspecies is more aggressive than Florida's common, Europeanized honeybees.

However, after testing bees from a nearby hive, the experts determined the dog was killed by the more common species.

Apparently a honeycomb had blown away from a hive in a nearby tree and landed in Leonard's yard. The dog was attacked when she came to investigate.

Bee attacks are rare, but any time a hive is threatened, the bees will become aggressive, no matter the species.

According to the Centers for

Disease Control and Prevention, about 90-100 people are killed in this country every year as a result of allergic reactions to the stings of bees, hornets and wasps, making bees the second-most deadly animal in the United States — after human beings. But that's out of the many thousands stung by bees each year.

"Lightning is a much greater danger than bees in Florida," the beekeepers association's Wisnioski says. "Walking quickly is what we teach. Get inside a car, a house. You do not stand there and swat at them."

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"I didn't pick this hobby," Nancy Palilonis says. "The bees picked me."

When she was growing up in Binghamton, N.Y., in the 1950s, her father and uncle bought some beekeeping equipment for \$20.

"We got enough honey to take care of three families," she remembers. "And when I turned 7 my father said, 'You're old enough to help now.' It was a family process to harvest the honey."

In 2009, Palilonis bought a home off Lindell Boulevard in Delray Beach and found bees had invaded the garage wall. An extractor from the PBC Beekeepers Association who removed the hive encouraged Palilonis to renew her childhood friendship with bees.

Today, she keeps three hives, three smaller "starter hives" and volunteers as a mentor with the association.

"It's work," she says, sweating behind her hood, veil and long-sleeved coat. "But I enjoy the social element, interacting with other beekeepers and introducing people to it."

Her hives yield about 20 pounds per hive a year, which she harvests through a strainer placed atop a 5-gallon bucket. The honey drips from the frame to the bucket, and she stores the remaining wax in her freezer, to be melted down someday.

"I've bought a candle mold," she says.

She'd like more hives — a few more, anyway — but hesitates to name a number.

"I'd have to think about that," she says.

It's not for fear her neighbors might complain.

"I give my neighbors honey," she says.

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The first time Colleen Paul-Hus and her children harvested the hive, they came away with about 3 pounds of honey, which gave them seven Mason jars full and a huge sense of sweet satisfaction.

"It's like getting your first egg from a chicken," she says.

And that's why people want to keep bees.

The stinger stings. But the honey's sweet. ★

For more information, contact the Palm Beach County Beekeepers Association at 206-4483 or visit www.palmbeachbeekeepers.com.

Health & Harmony

Health-minded foodies savor new tour in Boca Raton

They hunted. They gathered. They tramped the streets of downtown Boca Raton in 85-degree heat. This intrepid group of six was in search of healthy food.

Savor Our City, a new business that leads foodie tours in Boca Raton and Delray Beach, launched a new tour during the summer focusing on fresh juices, raw foods, vegan and vegetarian fare, all locally grown or produced when possible.

Other Savor Our City tours try out restaurants and shops with a variety of food and geographic themes.

After a half-hour of yoga and relaxation on the roof of a downtown building, the group followed tour leader and yoga teacher Meridith Hootstein downstairs for their first tasting, at Raw Juice.

They tried about a dozen blended juices, blue, green, red and orange, containing combinations of ginger, carrots, acai, goji berries, chia seeds, apples, cinnamon — any fresh produce that could be put through a juicer.

Juices are considered helpful for digestion, energy and ridding the body of environmental toxins. For those not quite ready to give up caffeine, there was even cold-brewed coffee.

Crossing Federal Highway, they headed to Royal Palm Place, first to GourmetPhile, a tiny shop packed to the ceiling with wines and exotic foods. After inspecting GourmetPhile's offerings, they adjourned to a tasting room with chic raspberry walls where they tasted salad with a locally made ginger dressing, organic white and red wines, vegan cheeses and an assortment of olives, nuts and pickled vegetables. They tried vegan dark chocolate squares for



Grace Mendez at Raw Juice pours for Sarah Caines as her friend Dana Rakowski takes a sip during their tour of Boca Raton establishments. Photos by Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star



Tour leader Meridith Hootstein gets the group off to a healthy start with a short session of yoga and relaxation.

dessert.

GourmetPhile employs a raw food chef and offers a variety of milk-based cheeses, wines and other delicacies for private parties in its tasting room.

Next stop: Gary Rack's Farmhouse Kitchen, a few doors away in Royal Palm Place. The Farmhouse Kitchen serves locally sourced and organic meats (including

bison), vegetables and wines. For her vegan/organic/raw group, Hootstein chose lettuce wraps with lentil and butternut squash filling.

At this point, the group members declared themselves too full to eat another bite, but Hootstein coaxed them a few steps farther to LovJuice, which opened in Royal Palm Plaza this summer. LovJuice offers a variety of juices and energy

If You Go
Savor Our City has scheduled the next vegan/vegetarian/raw food tours for Sept. 16 and 24. For dates, prices and a list of all culinary tours, visit www.savourourcity.com.

shakes, but since the group had juiced up at the beginning of the tour, Hootstein directed the foodies to a piquant garbanzo bean salad and peanut butter bites, with shots of watermelon citron and spicy carrot juice.

Hootstein, a yoga teacher, was introduced to Denise Righetti, the CFO (chief foodie officer) of Savor Our City, by their mutual friend Emily Lilly at the Boca Raton Green Market.

Savor Our City offers a variety of themed food tours in Boca Raton and Delray Beach, including American and international tours and walking tours of restaurant-rich target areas such as Atlantic Avenue

and Pineapple Grove in Delray and Royal Palm Place in downtown Boca Raton.

The vegan/vegetarian/raw tour was Righetti's idea for including a new group of eaters.

"Denise was looking for someone to lead the vegan tour, and my name came up," said Hootstein, who runs Blossoming Lotus Yoga.

Diet experiments don't always work

Elena Brodskaya, of Boca Raton, had a keen interest in the tour since she is the co-founder of the South Florida Vegan Education Group.

"Meridith approached us to get our feedback for future tours," said Brodskaya, who works at a women's addiction treatment center and started the vegan group with her partner, Keith Berger, as a way to educate the public about the vegan lifestyle. She's been a vegan for 10 years, Berger for 13 years.

They are frank about the fact that sometimes dietary experiments don't work out as expected. When they recently tried eating raw foods, Berger found he was "uncomfortable and cranky" for the first few days, although that passed.

Brodskaya decided to step away from an all-raw-food diet. "I didn't really take to it," she said.

Nonetheless, she picked up a bag of crunchy beet chips at LovJuice and offered them around to the group as they walked back to their cars.

Lona O'Connor has a lifelong interest in health and healthy living. Send column ideas to Lona13@bellsouth.net.



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Health Notes

Boca Regional Hospital rakes in awards

Boca Raton Regional Hospital chalked up several honors recently. First, it was named a top-ranked regional hospital in *U.S. News & World Report's* 2017-2018 annual review of best hospitals. It's ranked 16th out of approximately 300 hospitals in Florida and sixth in the Miami-Fort Lauderdale metro area.

The report also rated Boca Regional a high-performing hospital in chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, colon cancer surgery, heart failure and lung cancer surgery.

The hospital also was singled out for being the first in Florida and one of only five centers nationally to non-invasively map irregular heartbeats in patients with chronic atrial fibrillation and other arrhythmias, who did not respond sufficiently to other medicines and related treatments.

The **Medtronic CardioInsight Noninvasive 3-D Mapping System** was introduced at Boca Regional by Dr. Murray Rosenbaum, director of electrophysiology at the hospital's Christine E. Lynn Heart & Vascular Institute. The system uses a 252-electrode sensor vest that the patient wears. The technology creates 3-D electro-anatomic maps of the heart by collecting electrocardiogram signals from the chest, and combines these signals with data from a computed scan of the heart.

Using this new mapping technology, the electrophysiologist can position a catheter on the rotor centers to end the atrial fibrillation and restore the heart to normal rhythm. The Medtronic CardioInsight Noninvasive 3-D Mapping System at Boca Regional was made possible through a philanthropic gift by Ronald H. and Joanne Willens.

In other news at Boca Raton Regional Hospital, medical staff coordinator **Senior Airman Raphael Angel Delgado III** awarded members of the hospital's **BocaCare Physician Network** with the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve Patriot Award. The Department of Defense's Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve program offers resources in career development and assists in the resolving of conflicts that may arise from an employee's military obligation.

After serving in the U.S. Air Force, Delgado transferred into the U.S. Air Force Reserves to get a degree in the medical field. While in the reserves, he was hired at the hospital. He credits his superiors with providing opportunities to members of the military.

Congratulations to **Maureen Mann**, executive director at



Mann

Boca Raton Regional Hospital's Eugene M. & Christine E. Lynn Cancer Institute. She received the 2017 St.

George National Award from the American Cancer Society for her service toward the society's mission and goals. The distinction was awarded to 23 volunteers from across the country.

Mann, who has been associated with the society for more than 15 years, has held positions on committees and was a Florida division board member since 2006. She was the board chairwoman in 2015 and is currently secretary to the American Cancer Society's Cancer Action Network national board of directors.



BocaCare President Amy Cole, Senior Operations Manager Zulma Jairala and Director Heidi Rowe display the plaques awarded to them by Senior Airman Raphael Angel Delgado III and Lenny Miller, Florida vice chairman of the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve program. Delgado works at Boca Raton Regional Hospital. **Photo provided**

Joshua Rothenberg, DO, was appointed to Boca Raton Regional Hospital's medical staff and BocaCare physician network as director of regenerative medicine for BocaCare Orthopedics. Rothenberg, a musculoskeletal joint and interventional spine specialist, is board-certified in physical medicine and rehabilitation and trained in sports medicine.

He received the 2017 **McLean Outstanding Resident/Fellow Award** and the 2016 American Medical Society for Sports Medicine Resident Scholarship Award.

And a final piece of news from Boca Raton Regional Hospital: **Dr. Thomas Genuit** was appointed to its medical staff and BocaCare physician network.

Genuit is a board-certified general surgeon who is fellowship-trained in surgical critical care and trauma. He is a diplomate of the American Board of Surgery and a fellow of the American College of Surgeons and the American College of Critical Care Medicine.

Delray Medical Center has been recognized by Healthgrades as a 2017 **Gynecologic Surgery Excellence Award** recipient, placing it in the top 10 percent of hospitals evaluated, for providing outstanding quality outcomes in gynecologic surgery.

To help consumers evaluate and compare hospital performance in gynecologic surgery, Healthgrades analyzed outcome data for patients in 17 states from 2013 through 2015.

Patients treated in hospitals receiving the Gynecologic Surgery Excellence Award had, on average, a 47.6 percent lower risk of experiencing a complication while in the hospital. During that time, if all hospitals in the states included in the analysis performed similarly to hospitals receiving the Gynecologic Surgery Excellence Award, 15,557 in-hospital complications could potentially have been avoided.

In August, the **Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine at Florida Atlantic University** celebrated its seventh **White Coat Ceremony** as it officially welcomed the 64 members of the class of 2017. The incoming class received their first doctor's white coats, marking their entry into the

profession of medicine, and they each received a Humanism in Medicine lapel pin.

The keynote speech was delivered by **Dr. Darin P. Trelka**, assistant professor of integrated medical science and director of anatomical programs at the college, and the 2017 recipient of the **University's Distinguished Teacher of the Year** award.

Members of the class were selected from 3,667 applicants. Fifteen percent of the class received their bachelor's degree or master's degree from FAU. Florida residents make up nearly 90 percent of the incoming class.

This summer, 10 Florida Atlantic University medical residents began hands-on lessons at **Genesis Community Health**. They are tasked with examining, diagnosing and treating patients, while under the supervision and direction of **Dr. Cornelia Charles**, assistant professor of integrated medical science in the university's internal medicine residency.

The residents program at Genesis is part of the Graduate Medical Education Consortium with the university, established in 2011 by **Bethesda Health, Boca Raton Regional Hospital, Tenet's Delray Medical Center, St. Mary's Medical Center and West Boca Medical Center**.

The consortium provides access to clinical settings for health care education, research and patient care services to support and enhance the college's clinical training programs for residents.

Kindred at Home, a national provider of home health and hospice services, has introduced a specialized program for heart and lung patients available to residents in Palm Beach County. Kindred at Home Cardiopulmonary offers advanced home health treatments and education to heart and lung patients, helping them to better manage their conditions, live more independently and reduce their hospital and emergency room visits. For information, call 886-1500.

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HealthCalendar

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SEPTEMBER 2

Saturday - 9/2 - Saturdays @ Sanborn: Tai Chi Class at Sanborn Square, 72 N Federal Hwy. 8 am class. Free. 393-7703; downtownboca.org
9/2 - Saturdays @ Sanborn: Yoga Class at Sanborn Square, 72 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. 8:45 am registration; 9 am class. Free. 393-7703; downtownboca.org
9/2 - Kemeti Yoga at Spady Cultural Heritage Museum, 170 NE 5th Ave, Delray Beach. Calming, therapeutic yoga. Bring yoga mat, water; wear comfortable clothing. Every Sat 9-10:30 am. \$10/person. 279-8883; spadmuseum.com
9/2 - Qi Gong at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Ancient Chinese system of exercise, meditation. Improve flexibility, balance, muscle tone, energy, mental well-being. Adults. Every Sat 9 am. Free introductory class. \$40/month. Reservations: 419-5403; facebook.com/WestBocaTaiChi
9/2 - Yoga Class at South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. Every Sat 9:30 am. \$5/class. 588-8889; southpalmbeach.com
9/2 - Tai Chi/Chi Kung/Meditation Class at Delray Beach Community Center, 50 NW 1st Ave. Every Sat intermediate 9:30-10:30 am; beginner 10:45-11:45 am. Per class \$15/resident; \$17/non-resident. 243-7250; mydelraybeach.com
9/2 - Yoga Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. M-Sat. 9:30-11 am. 5 classes \$75/resident, \$94/non-resident; 10 classes \$130/resident, \$162.50/non-resident; 20 classes \$240/resident, \$300/non-resident. 477-8727; myboca.us
9/2 - Judo Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Warm-up exercises, instruction, practice, tournament training. W 6:30-8 pm mixed ages & ranks, 8-9 pm advanced; Sat 10 am-noon all groups. Per month \$21.50/resident; \$27/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us
9/2 - Yoga at the Beach at Red Reef Park West (Intracoastal side), 1400 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Register/get parking pass at Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Classes held on grass overlooking the Intracoastal. No cash accepted on-site. 1st & 3rd Sat 10 am. \$10/class; 60-day membership (unlimited classes) \$65/resident, \$81.25/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us
9/2 - Capoeira Fitness at Sanborn Square, 72 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. Age 12 & up. Every Sat 10:30 am. Free. 393-7703; downtownboca.org
9/2 - Zumba Class at South Beach Park Pavilion, 400 N State Rd A1A, Boca Raton. Every Sat 10:30 am. Free. 393-7703; downtownboca.org
9/2 - Chair Yoga at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St. Every Sat 1 pm. Free. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org
9/2 - CA (Cocaine Anonymous) at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St. Every Sat 6 pm. Free. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org

SEPTEMBER 3-9

Sunday - 9/3 - Yoga at the Beach at Red Reef Park East, 1400 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Register/get parking pass at Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. No cash accepted on-site. W/Sun 6:30 pm. \$10/class; 60-day membership (unlimited classes) \$65/resident, \$81.25/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us
Monday - 9/4 - Fitness on the Beach at Delray Beach at Lifeguard stand North 1 across from the Marriott, 10 N Ocean Blvd. Bring a towel, water, a can-do attitude. Age 18+. M/W/F 7:30-8:30 am. \$10/class. 502-523-0284; mydelraybeach.com
9/4 - Circuit Training: Workout for Mom at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Circuit-based workout targets multiple muscle groups to build lean muscles. Modifications accommodate pregnant moms/beginner to advanced fitness levels. M/T/Th 9:30-10:20 am. 4 classes \$40-\$50; 8 classes \$70-\$88; 12 classes \$100-\$125, 15 classes \$125-\$156. 306-6985; fitmomboca@aol.com
9/4 - Adult Jazzercise Lo at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. Workout targets 3 major muscle groups: upper body, abs, legs. M/T/F 9-10 am. 12 months \$39/month; 6 months \$49/month; \$25 membership fee. 400-1268; lisajar@comcast.net
9/4 - Chi Kung & Meditation at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. All ages. Every M 9-10 am. Per class \$15/resident; \$16/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com
9/4 - Yoga Class at First United Methodist Church Boca Raton, 625 NE Mizner Blvd. Every M 9:30 am. Free. 395-1244; fumbocaraton.org
9/4 - Get Fit Mom's Boot Camp at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Circuit-based workout incorporates cardio exercises, strength training, running drills, body weight resistance training, agility drills, core strengthening. M/T/Th 9:30-10:20 am. 4 classes \$40-\$50; 8 classes \$70-\$88; 12 classes \$100-\$125, 15 classes \$125-\$156. 306-6985; fitmomboca@aol.com

9/4 - Yoga Class for Seniors at First United Methodist Church Boca Raton, 625 NE Mizner Blvd. Every M 10 am. Free. 395-1244; fumbocaraton.org
9/4 - Tai Chi for Beginners at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Every M 10-11 am. Per class \$15/resident; \$20/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com
9/4 - Stretch at Delray Beach Tennis Center, 201 W Atlantic Ave. M/W 10-11 am. \$5/member; \$10/non-member. Sign up in advance: 243-7360; delraytennis.com
9/4 - Parkinson's Exercise Class at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Improve balance, flexibility, muscle strength. M 11:30 am-12:30 pm; W 2-3 pm. 1st class free. 8 classes \$32/resident, \$40/non-resident; 16 classes \$60/resident, \$75/non-resident. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org
9/4 - Exercise Class at First United Methodist Church Boca Raton, 625 NE Mizner Blvd. Every M 5:30 pm. Free. 395-1244; fumbocaraton.org
9/4 - Boca Raton Multiple Myeloma Support Group at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Meet, interact with fellow myeloma patients, their family members, friends. Learn new aspects of treatment/management of myeloma. 1st M 6:30-8 pm. Free. 901-5938; 637-4682; myeloma.org
9/4 - Men's Issues Support Group at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Every M 6:30-8 pm. \$5/session. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org
Tuesday - 9/5 - Women's Issues Support Group at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Every T 10-11:30 am. \$5/session. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org
9/5 - Yoga with Cara at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Slow, intuitive vinyasa flow class. T 10-11 am. \$15/class; \$60/5 classes. 586-6410;
9/5 - Big & Loud: Parkinson's Disease Exercise Program at Bethesda Heart Hospital, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. 10:30-11:30 am. Held again 9/19 & 10/3. Free. 292-4950; RLatino@BHInc.org
9/5 - Breastfeeding Support Group at Boca Raton Regional Hospital, 800 Meadows Rd. Every T noon-1:30 pm. Free. 955-5415; brhh.com
9/5 - Community Consciousness with Marisol Yoga at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. T/Th 5:15-6:15 pm. \$5/resident; \$6/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com
9/5 - AI-Anon 12-Step Study at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St. Every T 7 pm. Free. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org
9/5 - Food Addicts Anonymous at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St, Delray Beach. Every T 7 pm. Free. 742-2121; foodaddictsanonymous.org
Wednesday - 9/6 - Yoga at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Age 18 & up. Every W 9-10:30 am. Per class \$10/resident; \$15/nonresident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com
9/6 - Stretching The Mind, Stretching The Body at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Vamps, Arnis (hip circle), hand movements. Adults. W & F through 12/29 1-2:15 pm. \$6/class. 477-8814; myboca.us
9/6 - First Wednesdays at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. 11 am-noon. Free. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org
9/6 - Moving Forward for Widows & Widowers: Support and Discussion Group at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Every W 1-2:30 pm. \$5/session. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org
9/6 - AA Big Book Study at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St. Every W 5:30 pm. Free. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org
9/6 - Divorced and Separated Support Group at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Every W 6-7:30 pm. \$5/session. 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org
9/6 - Family and Friends at Boca Raton Regional Hospital Education Center Classroom B, 800 Meadows Rd. Basics of infant, child and adult CPR, relief of choking, child and infant one-person CPR. Held again 9/13, 23 (9-11 am), 27 & 10/4. 6-8 pm. \$25. Registration: 955-4468; brhh.com
9/6 - Tai Chi Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Moving meditation for focus, concentration, release of stress, attention skills. Every W Beginners 6:10-7:10 pm; Intermediate 7:10-8:10 pm. 8 classes \$48/

resident, \$60/non-resident; 12 classes \$66/resident, \$82/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us
9/6 - Belly Dance Class at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. All ages/abilities welcome. Every W through 10/11 6:30-7:30 pm. \$65/resident; \$81/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us
9/6 - Food Addicts Anonymous at The Crossroads Club, 1700 Lake Ida Rd, Delray Beach. Every W 7 pm. Free. 680-0724; foodaddictsanonymous.org
9/6-7 - Soulcore at St Mark Catholic Church, 643 St Mark Pl, Boynton Beach. Bring floor mat/optional hand weights. Every W 4:30-5:30 pm & Thu 8:30-9:30 am. Free/donations accepted. R734-9330; stmarkboynton.com
Thursday - 9/7 - Bereavement Support Group at St Mark Catholic Church, 643 St Mark Pl, Boynton Beach. Every Th 2:30-3:30 pm. Free. Register: 735-3530; stmarkboynton.com
9/7 - Yoga Class at First United Methodist Church Boca Raton, 625 NE Mizner Blvd. Every Th 6:30 pm. Free. 395-1244; fumbocaraton.org
9/7 - Surviving Divorce at St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Church, 940 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach. Expert guidance through emotional and practical concerns. Every Th through 12/7 7-8:45 pm. \$30. Register: 276-6892 x306; stvincentferrer.com/divorce
9/7-8 - Zumba Gold at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Age 18 & up. Th/F 9:30-10:30 am. Per class \$5/resident; \$6/nonresident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com
Friday - 9/8 - LGBTQ Support Group at Faulk Center for Counseling, 22455 Boca Rio Rd, Boca Raton. Joint program with Ruth & Norman Rales Jewish Family Services. Ages 18+. Every F noon-1:15 pm. Registration: 483-5300; faulkcenterforcounseling.org
9/8 - Breastfeeding Support Group at Boca Raton Regional Hospital, 800 Meadows Rd. Every F 1-3:30 pm. Free. 955-5415; brhh.com
9/8 - Open AA Meeting at Unity of Delray Beach, 101 NW 22nd St. Every F 7 pm. Free. 276-5796; unityofdelraybeach.org
Saturday - 9/9 - Organic Beauty & Wellness Festival at Boca Raton Marriott at Boca Center, 5150 town Center Cr. Vegan, eco-friendly wellness products/services. All ages. 10 am-4 pm. \$14.95/general; \$29.95/VIP. 877-1098; obwfestival.com

SEPTEMBER 10-16

Monday - 9/11 - Surgical Weight Loss: The Next Step to a Healthier You at Bethesda Heart Hospital, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. 2nd M 5:30 pm. Free. 853-1600; publicrelations@bhinc.org
9/11 - Yoga and Meditation at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Bring yoga mat. Adults. Every M through 10/30 6-7 pm. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org
Tuesday - 9/12 - Community Acupuncture Session at Lynn Women's Health & Wellness Institute, 690 Meadows Rd. Held again 9/20 & 26. 10 am-3:30 pm (sessions approximately 30 minutes). \$20-\$25. 955-4949; WIPProgram@brhh.com
9/12 - Senior Fitness Class at VITAS Community Life and Inpatient Center, 5912 W Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. 2:15-3:30 pm. Free. RSVP by 9/11: 808-1399; vitas.com
Saturday - 9/16 - 4th Annual Man Up! A Men's Health Symposium at Lynn Cancer Institute, 701 NW 13th St, Boca Raton. Keynote speaker David Rutherford. Health screenings, health/wellness vendors, lectures, presentations. 10 am-1 pm. Free. Space is limited; register: 955-3276; brhh.com

SEPTEMBER 17-23

Monday - 9/18 - Prostate Cancer Update: Best Use of Screening Blood Tests & Genetic Biomarkers at Bethesda Hospital East, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Presented by Raymond Leveillee, M.D., urologic surgeon; part of Ask the Physician Lecture Series. 5:30 pm. Free. 731-2273; publicrelations@bhinc.org
Thursday - 9/21 - Senior Health Fair at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. 9-11:30 am. Free. 742-6570; boynton-beach.org
Saturday - 9/23 - Sibling Class at Bethesda Heart Hospital, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Learn about their new role, the new baby joining their family. Decorate a onesie for new little brother or sister, celebrate with a birthday cupcake. Age 2-6; must be accompanied by parent. 10-11:30 am. \$20/parent & child;

\$10/additional child. Payment due before class date. 369-2229; publicrelations@bhinc.org
9/23 - Safe Baby: Prepare, Prevent & Respond Prenatal Class at Bethesda Memorial Hospital, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Increase awareness of safe practices and what to do in the event of an emergency. 2-3:30 pm. \$20/couple. Payment due before class date. 369-2229; publicrelations@BHInc.org

SEPTEMBER 24-30

Sunday - 9/24 - Childbirth Express: A Day Full of Fun & Learning at Bethesda Memorial Hospital, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. 10 am-4 pm. \$50/couple. Payment due before class date. 369-2229; publicrelations@BHInc.org
Tuesday - 9/26 - Considering a Hip Replacement? The Latest Advancements in the Anterior Approach at West Boynton Branch Library, 9451 S Jog Rd. Presented by John Wang, M.D., Orthopaedic Surgeon; part of Bethesda Hospital East Be Healthy, Be Well Program. 2-3 pm. Free. 734-5556; publicrelations@BHInc.org

OCTOBER 1-7

Monday - 10/2 - Dance Aerobics for Adults at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Exercise while dancing. M/W through 10/30 10-11 am. \$48/resident; \$60/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us
Tuesday - 10/3 - Women Get Breast Cancer, Men Get it Too. We're in This Together! DCA Breast Cancer Awareness Fundraiser at Pinon Grill, 6000 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 100% of proceeds & donations benefit Project Access and Your Bosom Buddies II, Inc. 5-7:30 pm. Tickets \$15/including t-shirt, 2 drinks, light bites. sflwebdesign.com/dca-for-health
Wednesday - 10/4 - Childbirth: Preparing for your Birth Experience at Bethesda Memorial Hospital, 2815 S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. 4-week series. W through 6/28. 6-8:30 pm. \$75/couple. Payment due before class date. 369-2229; publicrelations@BHInc.org
Saturday - 10/7 - Boot Camp for New Dads Class at Boca Raton Regional Hospital Education Center, 800 Meadows Rd. 9 am-noon. \$25. Registration: 955-4468; brhh.com

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On the Water

Proposed goliath grouper harvest gets giant push-back from divers

Divers are fighting a proposal to allow a limited harvest of goliath grouper — the large, slow-growing grouper that have become the darlings of many South Florida divers.

Fishing for goliath grouper, formerly known as jewfish, has been closed since 1990 in both state and federal waters after populations were hurt by decades of harvest by anglers and divers armed with spear guns.

Populations of the long-lived grouper have “substantially recovered” since the prohibition on harvest took effect 27 years ago, the Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission says.

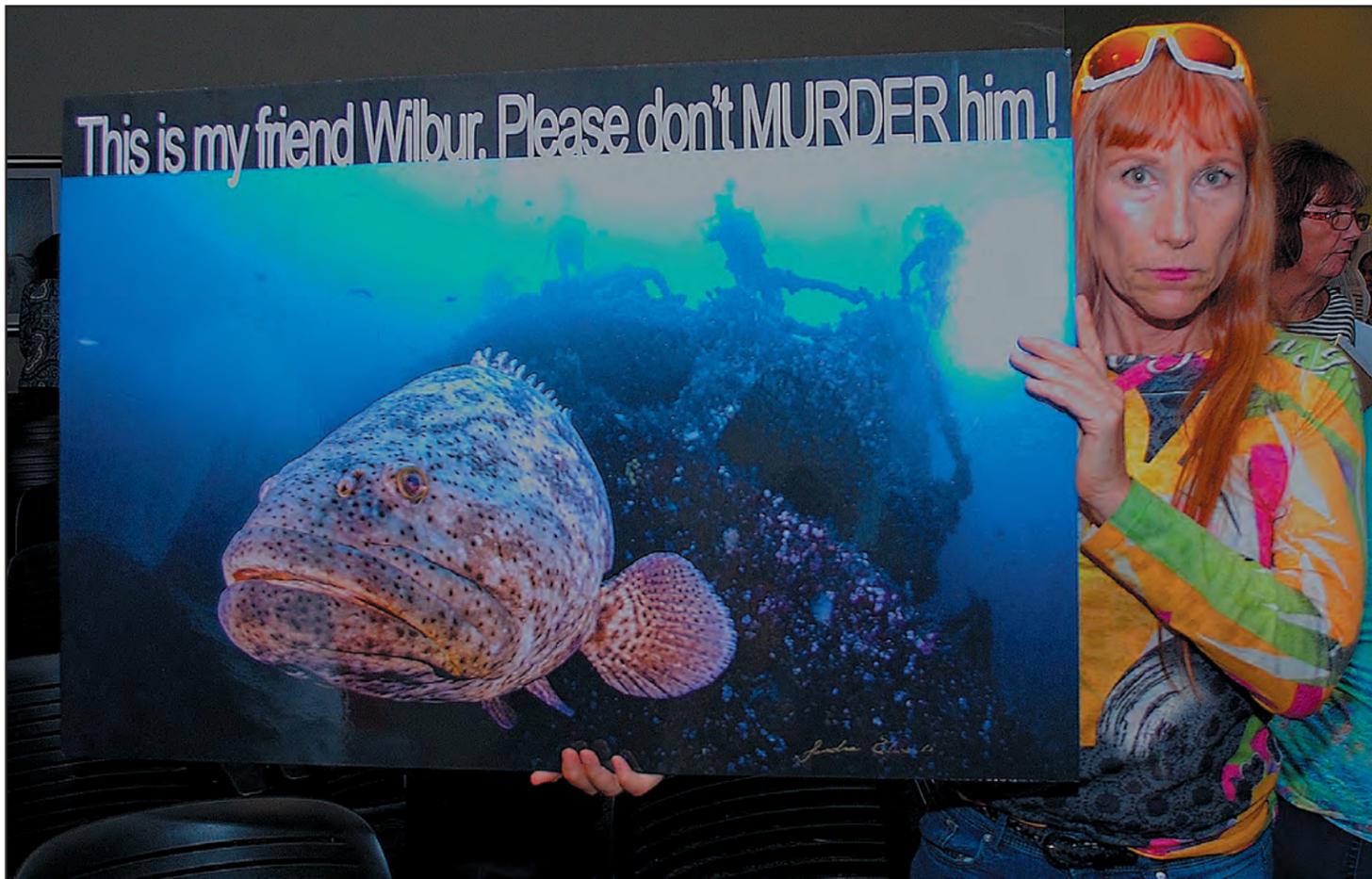
Goliath grouper, *Epinephelus itajara*, are known to live at least 37 years and can grow to 8 feet in length and up to 800 pounds. The largest goliath caught on hook and line in Florida weighed 680 pounds, according to the Florida Museum of Natural History.

The FWC is gathering public comments on the possibility of allowing anglers to harvest a limited number of goliath grouper.

The FWC’s initial proposal calls for issuing tags that anglers would purchase, limiting the harvest to 100 goliaths per year statewide. To be legal to keep, the groupers would have to be between 47 and 67 inches long, and harvesting would not be allowed during the spawning months, July through September.

If a limited harvest is allowed, the FWC hopes to expand its knowledge of goliath grouper by gathering carcasses that fisheries biologists could study.

Divers adamantly opposed the possibility of a limited goliath grouper harvest during the FWC’s July 31 workshop at the Lantana branch library, noting that gatherings of



Underwater photographer Sandra Edwards shows a photo of a goliath grouper nicknamed Wilbur that stays around the M/V Castor wreck off Boynton Beach. She was one of many divers who came to a July 31 Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission meeting at the Lantana branch library to oppose the possibility of a limited goliath grouper harvest. **Willie Howard/The Coastal Star**



This goliath grouper was caught near a wreck off Boynton Beach by anglers fishing with Capt. Carl Miller of Miller Time Fishing Charters in Boynton Beach. Miller says he has removed several sets of hooks from the large groupers before releasing them. **Photo contributed by Miller Time Fishing Charters**

goliaths during the summer spawning season attract divers from around the world to the waters off Palm Beach County.

“It’s become a phenomenon,” said Lynn Simmons of Splashdown Divers in Boynton Beach. “They are so gentle. Sometimes they will come to you and let you hold them.”

Simmons said the spawning

months of August and September are the best to find goliaths on wrecks along the coast of Palm Beach County.

“All of the wrecks have a resident population,” Simmons said. “But when it’s time for their orgy, they all come.”

A favorite local goliath, nicknamed Wilbur, lives on the M/V Castor wreck off

Boynton Beach and has his own Facebook page.

Charter fishing Capt. Danny Barrow of Lantana said he would support a limited take of goliath grouper — but only if anglers paid for harvest tags, generating money for research, and each grouper taken was reported to the FWC and its carcass donated for research.

“If they’re going to allow it to happen, make sure it all goes to research,” Barrow said.

Capt. Carl Miller of Miller Time Fishing Charters in Boynton Beach likes to catch and release goliath grouper. He devised a weight system that pulls groupers to the bottom before releasing them, reducing the chance that distended swim bladders would prevent them

from returning to deep water.

Miller said he often removes multiple sets of hooks from goliaths before releasing them. He said he doesn’t oppose a limited harvest of the protected groupers, but wonders why anyone would want to keep one because they’re not great table fare, and the flesh of larger groupers is laden with mercury.

Ed Tichenor, executive director of Palm Beach County Reef Rescue, said the goliaths should be left alone.

“They haven’t been recovered that long, and the population is fragile,” Tichenor said.

The FWC’s next goliath grouper workshops in South Florida are scheduled for Oct. 11 in Stuart and Oct. 12 in Davie.

To submit comments about the possible limited harvest of goliath grouper, go to www.myfwc.com/saltwatercomments or email Marine@myfwc.com.

Boynton Fishing Club organizational meeting

The Boynton Beach Fishing Club held a special meeting Aug. 1 in hopes of boosting interest in the club.

President Ken Sorensen said Teddy Green of Boynton Beach has joined the club to promote membership and club activities.

The club meets at 7 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in the classroom building next to the boat ramps at Harvey E. Oyer Jr. Park in Boynton Beach. The next meeting is set for Sept. 5. For updates, go to www.bifc.org.

Coming events

Sept. 16: International Coastal Cleanup seeks volunteers to remove trash from waterfront locations. Check-in sites include South Inlet Park in Boca Raton, Sandoway



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Team Tuppens members Christopher Sprague, 12, Steve Sprague and Mike Folsom show off some of their catch. Christopher's 6.2-pound dolphin netted him the prize for top junior angler. **Tim Stepien/ The Coastal Star**

Discovery Center in Delray Beach, Harvey E. Oyer Jr. Park in Boynton Beach and Lantana Beach. Most cleanups begin at 8 a.m. Registration is suggested. Go to www.keppbcbeautiful.org.

Sept. 23: X Generation 440 Challenge fishing tournament for kingfish, dolphin, wahoo, snapper, cobia, blackfin tuna and bonito. Captain's meeting 5-8 p.m. Sept. 21 at Lakeside Anchor Inn, Lantana. Weigh-in 1-5 p.m. Sept. 23 at Palm Beach Yacht Center in Hypoluxo. Awards party at noon Sept. 24 at Lakeside Anchor Inn. Entry fee \$225 per boat by Sept. 9 or \$250 thereafter. Call 296-7637.

Sept. 23: Boating safety

class offered by Coast Guard Auxiliary, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the classroom next to the boat ramps, Harvey E. Oyer Jr. Park, 2010 N. Federal Highway, Boynton Beach. Fee \$20. Discounts for ages 14 to 18 and for family groups. Register at the door. Call 704-7440.

Sept. 27: CCA/Florida South Palm Beach County Chapter's seventh annual banquet, 6-10 p.m. at Seagate Country Club, 3600 Hamlet Drive, Delray Beach. Open bar, dinner, silent auction, live auction and raffle. Tickets \$130 or \$250 per couple. Call Caitlin Mitchell at 407-401-7677 or go to www.ccaflorida.org.

Tip of the month

Looking for some quick how-to information on boating? Check out the instructive BoatUS videos at www.youtube.com/boatus. The free, short videos demonstrate how to trim, dock, launch and beach powerboats and include tips on maintenance, such as how to change a propeller.

Willie Howard is a freelance writer and licensed boat captain. Reach him at tiowillie@bellsouth.net.



Outdoors Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 8/25. Please check with organizers for any changes.

SEPTEMBER 2

Saturday - 9/2 - Tram Tours of the Marsh at Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge, 10216 Lee Rd, Boynton Beach. M/W/Th 1-2:30 pm; M/W/Th/Sat 10-11:30 am. \$5/automobile; \$1/pedestrian. Reservations: 733-0192; loxahatcheefriends.com/events/events.shtml

9/2 - Boardwalk Tours at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. Docent-guided tour of wetlands. All ages. Times vary, call for details. Free. 966-7000; pbcnature.com

9/2 - Outdoor Marine Aquarium Feedings at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. All ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. Daily 12:30 pm. Free. 544-8605; gumbolimbo.org

9/2 - Sea Turtle Talk at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. All ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. Daily 2 pm. Free. 544-8605; gumbolimbo.org

SEPTEMBER 3-9

Tuesday - 9/5 - Guided Nature Walk at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Guided walk along 1/4-mile natural trail through butterfly garden, coastal hammock, mangroves, to sandy beach by the Intracoastal. All ages; children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Every T/W 11 am-noon. Free. 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

9/5 - Audubon Society of the Everglades: Other Flying Creatures Besides Birds: The Bats of South Florida by Frank Ridgley at FAU Pine Jog Environmental Education Center, 6301 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach. 1st T 6:30 pm doors open/refreshments; 7 pm meeting. Free. auduboneverglades.org

Thursday - 9/7 - US Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 36 Boca Raton meets at Spanish River Park Headquarters Building, 3939 N Ocean Blvd. 1st Th 7:30 pm. Free. cgaux.org

Saturday - 9/9 - Birds & Breakfast at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. Coffee, refreshments, 1-hour walking tour. Age 9+. 9 am. \$3. Reservations required: 966-7000; pbcnature.com

SEPTEMBER 10-16

9/16 - Seining the Lagoon at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Explore grasses and flats of the Intracoastal Waterway. Hand-held dip nets and large seine nets allow participants to catch and release a variety of fish, shrimp, crabs, marine life. Wear clothes that can get wet. No flip-flops or sandals. Old Sneakers or water shoes only. Age 10 to adult; children must be accompanied by an adult. 3-4:30 pm. \$7/member; \$10/non-member. Reservations/pre-payment required: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

SEPTEMBER 17-23

Wednesday - 9/20 - Beach Treasures at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Learn about seashells, the animals that make them. Caravan to Red Reef Park, 1400 N State Rd A1A, to search for ocean treasures. All ages; children must be accompanied by an adult. 3-4:30 pm. Free. Reservations: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

Saturday - 9/23 - Boca Raton International Coastal Cleanup Day at South Beach Park. 400 N State Road A1A. 9 am. Free. bocasob.com

SEPTEMBER 24-30

Tuesday - 9/26 - Boynton Beach Fishing Club at Harvey E. Oyer, Jr. Park, 2010 N Federal Hwy. Join other fishermen to discuss hot topics, learn new tricks of the trade. 4th T 7-9 pm. Free. 703-5638; boynton-beach.org

Thursday - 9/28 - The Night Stalkers at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. Join a boardwalk tour looking at nature from the point of view of its nocturnal residents. Age 9+. 7 pm. \$5/person. RSVP: 966-7000; pbcnature.com

Saturday - 9/30 - Sea Angels Beach Cleanup at Ocean Inlet Park, 6990 N Ocean Blvd, Ocean Ridge. Last Sat 8-10:30 am. 369-5501; seaangels.org

OCTOBER 1-7

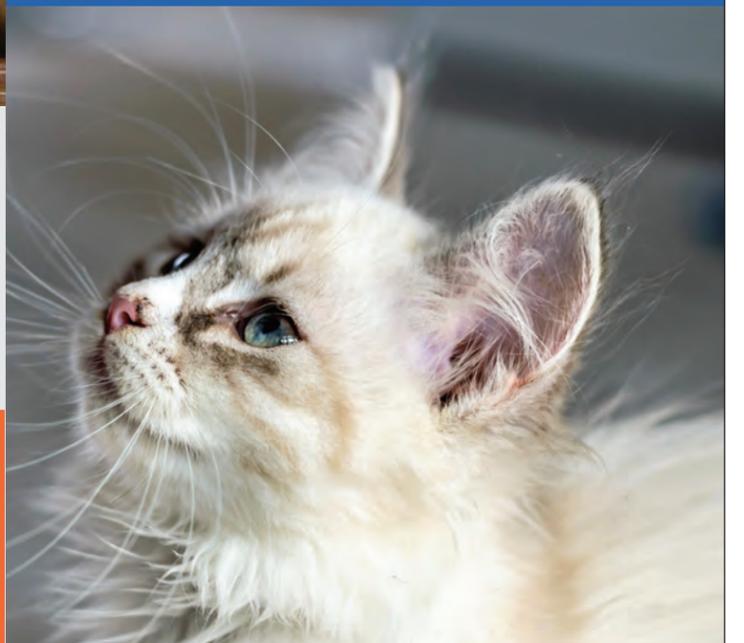
Saturday - 10/7 - US Coast Guard Auxiliary About Boating Safety Class at Spanish River Park Headquarters Building, 3939 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Beginner in-depth boating safety course provides knowledge needed to obtain boat license or safety certification in many states; possible insurance discounts. Bring lunch. 9 am-5 pm. \$35/person; \$25/police or firefighter. 391-3600 x2; cgauxboca.org

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Paws Up for Pets

Vets teach K-9 officers how to protect dogs from dangers of drugs

Sometimes, the dangers facing K-9 police dogs can be invisible but still very deadly. But thanks to a partnership between veterinarians and many police departments in South Florida, these working dogs stand a stronger chance of surviving the unexpected in the field. And, that makes police officers like Chris Schalk feel grateful.

Officer Schalk of the Boynton Beach Police Department works the night patrol with Iro, his 5-year-old German shepherd. Iro (appropriately rhyming with the word hero) is strong, quick and able to use his trained scenting skills to track down bad guys and even illegal stashes of currency.

But Iro and other police dogs can become ill — even die — if exposed to narcotics due to accidentally getting the substance on their paws or inhaling while working a case.

“Opiates have become not only a Florida problem, but a national problem,” says Schalk, an eight-year veteran on the Boynton Beach force who fulfilled his law enforcement dream earlier this year to become trained as a K-9 officer. “These working dogs are very valuable, and we want to make sure to take care of them. They are working hard to protect us and we should work as hard as we can to protect them from harm.”



K-9 officer Duke of the Boynton Beach Police Department with Dr. Melanie Thomas at Coral Springs Animal Hospital. Photo provided

Enter the veterinary team at Coral Springs Animal Hospital. Led by Melanie Thomas, DVM, and Bruce Sullivan, DVM, the hospital team is training and educating K-9 police officers in about 15 departments in Palm Beach, Broward and Miami-Dade counties.

“In the field if a K-9 dog gets exposed to opiates, every minute counts in saving his life,” says Thomas. “The sedative effects of these drops can impact a police dog’s respiratory system. Untreated, the dog’s heart and brain can stop.”

She and Sullivan train police on how to give antidote medications to their affected dogs in the field. Schalk now carries this lifesaving vial and

syringe in his first-aid kit in his patrol car and knows now how to inject the antidote into the lower hip if Iro should be exposed to these opiates.

“Let’s say Iro, who is trained to track and sniff for money, bites a suspect in a pocket, penetrates that pocket with his teeth and we discover the pocket contains narcotics,” says Schalk. “Iro could become lethargic — not being able to stand up — and collapse. I am glad I know how to give him the antidote.”

As Thomas explains, “These police dogs have high drives and [are] motivated to learn.”

Some could have inadvertent exposure to narcotics through the skin, such as the paw pads, or ingest toxins nasally.

“A small cut on the paw or inhaling the narcotic can quickly enter it in the dog’s bloodstream,” she says. “The team may be far from a veterinary hospital. That’s why we felt it was important to train the officers on how to administer these medications in the field.”

In addition, the veterinarians are conducting training workshops to educate K-9

Safety tips at home

In your home, you can sidestep an array of medicine-related calamities by heeding these prevention tips:

- Don’t stash medicine for you or your pet on kitchen or bathroom counters. Dogs and cats can counter surf and reach these medications.
- Recognize that so-called childproof bottles are no match for the crushing jaws of a nosy dog or cat.
- Store medications in pet-safe places, including inside dresser drawers, nightstand drawers, kitchen cabinets or shelves in enclosed china cabinets.
- Teach your dog the “leave it” cue. In the event you accidentally drop one of your pills on the floor, this command could save your dog’s life. Be sure to reward his obedience for leaving the pill with a healthy pet treat.
- Use visual markers to help you easily distinguish medicine for you and medicine for your pet to avoid any mix-ups. Consider placing brightly colored duct tape (like neon orange) on the top of the bottles of medications for your pets.

police officers on how to stop bleeding, provide basic wound care and address conditions like heat stroke in their dogs. These pet first-aid protocols help an officer stabilize his four-legged partner so he can transport him to a veterinary hospital for medical treatment.

“These dogs are trained to put their faces near things and some are trained to sniff for illicit substances,” says Thomas. “Cocaine in powder form can go up a dog’s nose quickly. We are ready to help these dogs when they arrive here, but we want to make sure the officers know what to do in the field as well.”

Schalk just completed a seminar on injury prevention and now has Iro go through some stretching exercises before they begin their patrols. He also has learned how to spot early signs of overheating so he can cool down Iro quickly and safely.

During his 10-year tenure in law enforcement, Schalk has done road patrol, been a police training officer and served on a SWAT team, but his No. 1 goal has always been to become a K-9 police officer. He got the

chance in December 2016 and has partnered with Iro for the past several months.

“The training to be a K-9 officer is constant and ongoing — which I love,” he says. “And I love dogs. Being in the K-9 unit for me is everything I wanted. It’s in my heart and my blood. I love every bit of it and I am very grateful to have a great dog like Iro. He is very social and well-trained. He can go from tracking a bad guy to then letting people pet him. We make a good team.”

And thanks to the veterinarians at Coral Springs Animal Hospital, the team is even safer.

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Pets Calendar

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SEPTEMBER 3-9

Sunday - 9/3 - Free Dog Grooming for School Employees at Scenthound, Boynton Town Center, 1100 N Congress Ave. Essential Care Pack includes conditioning bath, nail trim, ear cleaning, teeth brushing; a \$35 value. Valid public or private school ID required. Every Sun through 9/24 11 am-4 pm. Free. By appointment only; 413-5005; sscenthound.com
Saturday - 9/9 - 4th Annual Countdown-2Zero Adoption Event at Palm Beach County Convention Center, 650 Okeechobee Blvd, West

Palm Beach. Presented by The Lois Pope LIFE Foundation; organized by Peggy Adams Animal Rescue League & Palm Beach County Animal Care and Control. Special discounts, adoption incentives, special gifts. 10 am-5 pm. Free/admission & parking. 472-8845; countdown-2zero.org

SEPTEMBER 10-16

Monday - 9/11 - Dog Obedience Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Every M through 10/23. Beginner 6-7 pm; intermediate/games 7-8 pm. \$95/resident; \$117/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us
Wednesday - 9/13 - Dog Obedience Class at Train Depot, 747 S Dixie Hwy, Boca Raton. Every W through 10/18. Puppy kindergarten (dogs 10

weeks-5 months old) 6:30-7:30 pm; beginner 7:30-8:30 pm. \$95/resident; \$117/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

Saturday - 9/16 - Puppy Kindergarten Class at Boca Raton Community Center Annex, 260 Crawford Blvd, Boca Raton. Must show proof of vaccinations. Dogs ages 10 wks-5 mos old. Every Sat through 10/21. 11:30 am-12:30 pm. \$95/resident; \$117/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

9/16 - Shop for the Dogs at Sequin, 445 E Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. 20% of all sales benefit Big Dog Ranch Rescue. Light bites, refreshments, meet adoptable dogs. 1-4 pm. 791-6465; bdrr.org

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Finding Faith



Chaim Romano (l-r), Daniel Kay and Ben Scheiner started a Moishe House in Delray Beach to give young Jewish professionals a place to network with people of similar minds. The house is the third of its kind in Florida. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

Moishe House provides place to live, stepping stone for young Jews

At a spacious townhouse just off U.S. 1 in Delray Beach, three young, charming, single Jewish men are creating a community for young adults interested in knowing more about Jewish religion and culture. And being Jewish isn't a prerequisite to participate.

The place is called Moishe House, and this is the third of its type in Florida. There are Moishe Houses (Moishe is Yiddish for Moses) in Miami and Aventura; and now, with support from the Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County, Delray Beach is on the Moishe House map.

Here's how it works: In exchange for a housing stipend and some cash for expenses, the residents must plan and execute about one "Jewish-related" event every week — in addition to holding down their full-time jobs.

Moishe House's purpose is to fill the gap between graduating from college and getting married and having children. Young professionals moving to a new town for work want a way to network with like-minded people. And young adults produce the kind of activities young adults want to attend.

So — Moishe House.

The first Moishe House opened in Oakland, Calif., in 2006 with four young men hosting Shabbat dinners for their friends. The casual atmosphere and the eclectic makeup of the group were just what the young, vibrant community needed. Young, fun, interesting programs attract young, fun, interesting people.

Now there are 104 houses in 26 countries. According to moishehouse.org, an estimated 50,000 young people attended a Moishe House event last year.

The South Palm Beach trio — Ben Scheiner, Daniel Kay and Chaim Romano, all of Boca Raton — moved into their house in July after making a one-year commitment. Scheiner's brother lives at a Moishe House in Denver, and he brought the idea to Kay and Romano.

Before long, they were picking out their bedrooms in a 3,000-square-foot home just a few blocks east of Federal Highway.

Kay, 27, is the house's cruise director. He's the emcee and host. He has hosted a cooking challenge modeled after the TV show *Cutthroat Kitchen* and emceed "La Casa de Moises Jam Session," a lively night of unscripted musical entertainment. Kay also steps up to lead Shabbat dinners.

Romano, the oldest at 28, likes to cook, so meal preparation (non-kosher) is his shtick. He's hands-down the best cook, and he learned by watching his mother, who family and friends say has the gift. He jokes he's making friends and serving Jewish culture to his guests "one little bite at a time."

The quiet one, Romano is also the unofficial bouncer, if someone needs to, well, bounce. Kay says first they'd discreetly and politely tell the person to shape up, but if that doesn't work ...

The trio's first event, a barbecue, drew about 50 people. The first Shabbat dinner drew about 30.

Other events included a yoga class at Anuttara Yoga in Delray Beach and a *Game of Thrones* watching party. Coming up with a variety of events, which can be held on-site or off, takes a creative mind, or three.

Scheiner, 26, is the scholar of

the group, the one best versed in Jewish history. He chaired a podcast on Jewish history (you can watch it on Moishe House SPB's Facebook page) and chaired a Q&A about Jewish traditions. "I'm always happy to educate and they can do with it as they please," he says.

Scheiner is also a nature lover who recently organized a nature walk at the Yamato Scrub Natural Area in Boca Raton. "I'm really into the outdoors," he says.

It's all very casual and laid back, but the guys still have big aspirations.

"What I hope is that the three of us can establish a community of Jewish young professionals, people who make a connection, and people that can rely on each other. It's nice to be able to talk to someone and it's also great just to be a listening friend. I feel honored to be in that role," Scheiner said.

Romano stresses that Moishe House has a pluralistic view in which many expressions of Jewish life and culture are accepted, even encouraged. "I want non-Jews to feel welcome too," Romano said.

Scheiner agrees: "We welcome people of all creeds."

To learn more about Moishe House South Palm Beach and to find out about events, visit www.facebook.com/mohospb. For more information about Moishe House, visit www.moishehouse.org.

Janis Fontaine writes about people of faith, their congregations, causes and community events. Contact her at janisfontaine@outlook.com.



Congregants share thoughts on the meaning of Yom Kippur

By Janis Fontaine

The holiest day of the Jewish year is approaching.

Yom Kippur, which starts the evening of Sept. 29, is a solemn day for reflection, a day of atonement. It follows 10 days after Rosh Hashana, which marks the new year.

But there are no out-of-control parties celebrating Rosh Hashana. The only similarity to Jan. 1 is that Jews will spend time examining their lives and planning changes for the coming months.

We asked some local folks to share their feelings about the High Holy Days. Here's what they had to say:

As a kid, I used to spend the holidays with my grandparents in a little town in Slovakia. I never forget walking with my grandfather,



Gabor

holding his hand going to our little synagogue. I felt happy, secure and looking forward to meeting the other kids on the yard of the temple.

It was a great time and I often try to re-create that childhood memories in my mind. My grandparents were murdered in Auschwitz.

After the Holocaust, I grew up in a communist regime where going to temple was not a safe thing to do, but I know when the holidays were and fasting in Yom Kippur was important to me. Gave me the feeling that I am walking with my grandfather.

Thomas Gabor
Delray Beach

When people make New Year's resolutions, it's usually in some attempt at doing better the following year. So too, when we celebrate the High Holy Days, we try to embrace the idea of changing ourselves for the better, no matter how hopeless change might seem. This is done in a more serious manner during the holiday of Yom Kippur, which to me is an occasion where the Jewish people could in some way feel the presence of higher power in a timely manner, a connection only comparable to meditating on the very text of the Torah.

Why, then, do we give such attention to an occasion which other people would simply put off half the time? Because Yom Kippur is not about the future, it is of

course about the past, and to see the past year go by in the mind's eye is equivalent to seeing one's life flash before your eyes.

Having such an experience is not only a transcendental way to let go of the past, it also encourages us to look to the future to redeem the mistakes we had made.

To go through such a major change during a single day is a miracle, and so when we feel this change happening in such a noticeable way, all we could help thinking is the beauty of change and hope for the remaining year.

Kyle Denton
Boynton Beach

Few memories, if any, kindle that special pang than reflecting upon those formative years, walking behind my parents with my two brothers, to shul on the High Holy Days.

I lived in a predominantly Jewish neighborhood on an exclusively, by design, Jewish block when Brooklyn was Brooklyn. Belonging to an Orthodox shul, as almost all were in those treasured days, no one drove to Talmud



Teitelbaum

Torah Beth Judah.

Another cardinal sin would be a man without suit and tie ... and women

equally elegant upon Judgment Day. My father, owing to his status as a major benefactor to the synagogue, as well as the recognized Talmud scholar that he was, enjoyed a prominent front-row seat in the special section abutting the eastern wall. My two brothers and I accompanied my father while my mother sat opposite on the far side of the mishits.

We were a traditional family. We were an observant family. We were a loving family. My father died in 1988 at the age of 73. Mom lived to 100. They live in my heart every day as luminaries to emulate. The High Holy Days bring for me tears of sorrow and tears of joy. I can so clearly see them now walking, together, heart-in-heart, followed by their three sons, ever so proud. How I miss those days.

But Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur endure. Our five children, their spouses and our eight grandchildren will have their memories.

Marty Teitelbaum
Boca Raton

Ride 4 Orphans

Spanish River Church, Boca Raton – Aug. 2



Checks from the Feb. 8 Ride 4 Orphans were awarded to Place of Hope at the Leighan and David Rinker Campus and 4 Kids of South Florida. The annual ride raises money for Spanish River Church's orphan projects. (l-r) Matheus Macedo, first-place finisher; Boca Raton Deputy Mayor Jeremy Rodgers; Keith Seago, race sponsorship committee; Monica Blake Speer, Place of Hope; Craig Kindell, event director; George Gaffey, sponsorship committee; Lauren Atchison, of Team zMotion, and Charlene Harrington Smith, five-time R4O participant. **Photo provided**

Religion Notes

Longtime Unity minister has retired

After 25 years of service as the senior minister and CEO for Unity of Delray Beach, the Rev. **Nancy Norman**, the face of Unity and a resident of Boynton Beach, retired on Aug. 20.

Norman came from California to serve the spiritual community in Delray Beach as an associate minister at Unity in 1992. She built the Unity congregation and its reputation through her devotion, hard work and with the help of ministers, counselors, board members and volunteers.



Norman

Now, change is coming. "It's going on 26 years, and it's been a wonderful time for me and it's been fabulous to serve Delray, but I tell people it's time for me to be a minister at large," Norman laughs. "I'll continue writing and teaching."

The Rev. Cathy Norman, her daughter, will serve as interim minister.

For most of her tenure at Unity, Norman rose extra-early every Thursday so she could host her 7 a.m. Prosperity Coffee. She especially loved the group and will greatly miss it.

"I loved it because it's a time of sharing ideas and what's happening in the world and what we can do from a practical perspective," she said. "I'm convinced that God wants us to live our lives to the fullest and we teach ways of empowering people so they can live happy successful lives."

The morning meeting is casual and relaxed so people can arrive and leave when they have to. Some members have been coming to the meetings for nearly 20 years to hear the positive message, which they say sustained them through the challenges of building a life worth living.

"I'm honored to have been of service here and I'm so optimistic about where the church is going. My daughter will come from California to spend six months as interim minister and she's looking forward to it. She started out here and she's coming full circle," Norman said.

"Eventually I plan to sell the house and move to Mount Dora, which is such a charming community. It's full of creative people, artists and writers and musicians, and it has magnificent restaurants. And I just learned it's called 'The City of Festivals' because they have so many."

Norman says she'll miss Delray and its people, "but I'm looking forward to my next chapter with zeal and gusto."

You can still experience Norman's wisdom and her message of "vibrancy, love, and hope for a greater expression of life" on her website, www.nancynorman.net.

New arrivals

Rabbi **Shmuli Biston** has joined Chabad of East Delray and is eager to serve east Delray and the beach communities. The rabbi wants to share the events, activities and programs Chabad offers.

For more information, visit www.jewisheastdelray.com.

Congregation B'nai Israel announced the appointment of two new rabbis. **Allison Cohen** and **Rony Keller** have joined the synagogue's rabbinical leadership at the Boca Raton-based, inclusive reform congregation. B'nai Israel has a membership of almost 1,000 families whom Keller will serve as senior associate rabbi and Cohen will serve as assistant rabbi, joining senior Rabbi Robert Silvers.

Congregation B'nai Israel is at 2200 Yamato Road, Boca Raton. For more information, visit www.cbiboca.org or call 241-8118.

The Rev. **Benjamin A. Thomas Jr.** has accepted St. Gregory's Episcopal Church's call to serve as its new assistant rector. Thomas graduated in May from the School of Theology at the University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn. Prior to seminary, he had a successful career in nonprofit finance and international development. He and his wife, Anna, have five children.

St. Gregory's Episcopal Church is at 100 NE Mizner Blvd., Boca Raton. For more information, call 395-8285 or visit www.stgregorysepiscopal.org

Happenings

The 24th annual **Unity World Day of Prayer** takes place Sept. 14, and Unity of Delray Beach will unite in global affirmative prayer during a 24-hour vigil held in the Silent Unity Chapel at 101 NW 22nd St., Delray Beach.

Unity employees, ministers and students invite guests to be part of the annual tradition and gather to bless thousands of names submitted to Silent Unity for prayer.

The theme is "Peace in the Midst," which echoes prayers of the first men who ever offered a prayer for peace in the midst of chaos. To share a name for the prayer list, call 800-669-7729 or visit www.silentunity.org.

Meetings in September

Pub Theology: Beer, Conversation & God meets at 7 p.m. Sept. 5 at the Biergarten, 309 Via de Palmas, No. 90, Boca Raton, and 7 p.m. Sept. 21 at Barrel of Monks, 1141 S. Rogers Circle, No. 5, Boca Raton. Conversation, fellowship, open discussion. 395-1244; www.fumcbocaraton.org.

The Interfaith Café meets from 7 to 9 p.m. Sept. 21 at South County Civic Center, 16700 Jog Road, Delray Beach. Light refreshments are served. The meeting is free, but donations are appreciated.

The Interfaith Café meets the third Thursday of the month, and volunteers are needed to assist with a variety of duties to keep this program going. For information or to volunteer, email Jane@Aurorasvoice.org.

Send religion notes to [Janis Fontaine at janisfontaine@outlook.com](mailto:JanisFontaine@outlook.com).

Religion Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 8/25. Please check with organizers for any changes.

SEPTEMBER 2

Saturday - 9/2 - Catholic Grandparents Meeting at Ascension Church, 7250 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. All welcome. 1st Sat 10-11:30 am. Free. 289-2640; diocesepb.org

SEPTEMBER 3-9

Sunday - 9/3 - Bagels, Lox and Tefillin Club at Chabad of Delray Beach, 7495 W Atlantic Ave. Morning services include donning of tefillin, a torah thought from Rabbi Sholom Korf. Bagels/lox served. Chabad membership not required. 1st & 3rd Sun 9-9:30 am (follows 8 am service). Free. Reservations/donations appreciated. 496-6228; chabaddelray.com

Monday - 9/4 - Monday Morning Women's Bible Study at First Presbyterian Church of Delray Beach, 33 Gleason St. Every M 10-11:30 am. Free. 276-6338; firstdelray.com

9/4 - Women's Bible Study at Seacrest Presbyterian Church, 2703 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Every M 10 am. Free. 276-5633; seacrestchurch.com

9/4 - Rosary for Peace at St Vincent Ferrer, 840 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach. Every M 7 pm. Free. 276-6892; stvincentferrer.com

Tuesday - 9/5 - Lectio Divina (Divine Prayer) at St Paul's Episcopal Church, 188 S Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Traditional Benedictine practice of scriptural reading, meditation, prayer. Every T 9-10 am. Free. 276-4541; stpaulsdelray.org

9/5 - Rector's Bible Study at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 188 S Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Every T 10:30 am; Th 7-8:30 pm. Free. 276-4541; stpaulsdelray.org

9/5 - St Mark Bible Study at St Mark Catholic Church, 643 St Mark Pl, Boynton Beach. Every T 7-8 pm. Nominal fee/free-will offering. Register: 734-9330; stmarkboynton.com

Wednesday - 9/6 - St. Paul's Episcopal Church Bible Study at Panera, 1701 S Federal Hwy, Delray Beach. Read, discuss upcoming Lesson & Gospel readings. Every W 8-9 am. Free. 276-4541; stpaulsdelray.org

9/6 - Legion of Mary at St Mark Catholic Church Chapel, 643 St Mark Pl, Boynton Beach. Follows 8 am Mass every W. Free. 734-93300; stmarkboynton.com

9/6 - Centering Prayer at St. Joseph's Episcopal Church, 3300A S Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Every W 6 pm. Free. 732-3060; stjoesweb.org

9/6 - Bible Study at First United Methodist Church, 101 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Every W 11 am. Free. 732-3435; fumcbb.com

9/6 - Wonderful Wednesdays at First Presbyterian Church, 33 Gleason St, Delray Beach. All ages. Every W 5:45 pm dinner; 6:30 pm program. \$7/adult; \$5/child; \$20/max per family. Reservations: 276-6338; firstdelray.com

9/6 - Rector's Bible Study at St Gregory's Episcopal Church, 100 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. Every W 6 pm supper (soup & salad, donation requested); 7 pm Bible study (free). 395-8285; stgregorysepiscopal.org

Thursday - 9/7 - Men's Fellowship at First Presbyterian Church of Delray Beach, 33 Gleason St. Every Th 8:30 am. Free. 276-6338; firstdelray.com

9/7 - Women's Bible Study Group at First United Methodist Church Boca Raton, 625 NE Mizner Blvd. Childcare available upon request. Every Th 9:30 am-noon. Free. 395-1244; fumcbocaraton.org

9/7 - Prayer Circle at Trinity Lutheran Church Courtyard, 400 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Every Th 8:05 am. 278-1737; trinitydelray.org

9/7 - Open House at Islamic Center of Boca Raton, 3480 NW 5th Ave. 1st Th 7-9 pm. 395-7221; icbr.org

Friday - 9/8 - Women's Bible Study Group at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church, 266 NE 2nd St, Boca Raton. Every F 9:15 am. Free. 395-8285; stgregorysepiscopal.org

9/8 - Couples' Bible Study Group at First United Methodist Church Boca Raton, 625 NE Mizner Blvd. Childcare available upon request. Every F 6-9 pm. Free. 395-1244; fumcbocaraton.org

Saturday - 9/9 - St Mark Council of Catholic Women at St Mark Catholic Church, 643 St Mark Pl, Boynton Beach. 2nd Sat 10 am. Free. 734-9330; stmarkboynton.com

SEPTEMBER 10-16

Wednesday - 9/13 - Lunch and Learn with Boca Beach Chabad's Rabbi Ruvi New at Keter Bakery Cafe, 515 NE 20th St, Boca Raton. Noon-1 pm. 394-9770; bocabeachchabad.org

9/13 - High Holy Day Workshop: Low Hanging Fruit at Temple Beth El, 333 SW 4th Ave, Boca Raton. Variety of foods tie into the High Holiday season with intense spiritual & literal significance. 7:30 pm reception; 8 pm program. Free. RSVP: 391-8900; tbeoca.org

Thursday - 9/14 - 24th Annual Unity World Day of Prayer at multiple locations and online. Worlddayofprayer.org

Friday - 9/15 - Parents of St. Gregory's at St. Gregory's Episcopal Church, 100 NE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. Potluck dinner, topic discussion (targeted to young parents w/children age 2-13), group feedback, childcare available. 3rd F 6-8 pm. Free. 395-8285; stgregorysepiscopal.org

Saturday - 9/16 - Selichot at Temple Beth El, 333 SW 4th Ave, Boca Raton. Musical event with clergy, professional singers, instrumentalists; begins the spiritual journey of the new year. 7:30 pm. Free. RSVP: 391-8900; tbeoca.org

SEPTEMBER 17-23

Sunday - 9/17 - Community Welcoming of the Chaim New Legacy Torah at Chabad of East Boca Raton, 120 NE 1st Ave, Boca Raton. 4 pm assemble at north end of Mizner Park (in front of Amphitheater); 4:15 pm March with Torah in procession down center of Mizner Park; 4:30 pm Welcome Torah in Shul; 5 pm Community BBQ at Sanborn Square; 5:45 pm Shofar Factory for Kids. 417-7797; chabadbocabeaches.com

Wednesday - 9/20 - Rosh Hashanah Eve Service at Chabad of East Boca Raton, 120 NE 1st Ave. 7:01 pm candle lighting and services; 8 pm dinner. \$54/adult; \$25/child under 12. Reserved High Holiday Seating adult \$50/day; child \$36/day (special children's program). 417-7797; chabadbocabeaches.com

9/20-21 - Rosh Hashanah Services presented by Congregation Beit Kulam at The Wick Theatre and Costume Museum, 7901 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. W 7:30-9:30 pm; Th 10:30am-3 pm. Rosh Hashana 10:30 am; Tashlich 1:15 pm. \$75/person. 995-2333; thewick.org

Thursday - 9/21 - Rosh Hashanah 9/21-22 - Rosh Hashanah Services presented by Chabad of East Boca Raton at Mizner Park Cultural Art Center, 201 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Daily service: 9 am; Shofar Sounding (9/21) 11:30 am; Afternoon Service: 9/21 6:45 pm, 9/22 7 pm; Reserved High Holiday Seating adult \$75/day; child \$36/day. 417-7797; chabadbocabeaches.com

9/21-23 - Rosh Hashanah Services at Congregation B'nai Israel, 2200 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Th 8:30 am & noon Rosh Hashanah I Morning services; 3:15 pm children's service; 4 pm Tashlich service. F 10 am Rosh Hashanah II; 7:30 pm Shabbat Shuvah; Sat 9 am Shabbat Shuvah. Photo ID & Admission card required. 241-8118; cbiboca.org

Friday - 9/22 - An Evening of Healing & Forgiveness at St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Church, 940 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach. Adoration, Scripture reflection, Unbound healing prayer. 7 pm. Free. 276-6892; stvincentferrer.com

SEPTEMBER 24-30

Friday - 9/29 - Yom Kippur Services presented by Chabad of East Boca Raton. Afternoon Service & Pre-Fast Dinner at Chabad of East Boca Raton, 120 NE 1st Ave 5 pm \$36/adult, \$18/child under 12; 6:51 pm Candle Lighting/Fast begins at Mizner Park Cultural Art Center, 201 Plaza Real; 7 pm KolNidrei Service. Reserved High Holiday seating adult \$75/day; child \$36/day (special children's program). 417-7797; chabadbocabeaches.com

9/29-30 - Yom Kippur Services presented by Congregation Beit Kulam at The Wick Theatre and Costume Museum, 7901 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. F 7:30 pm Kol Nidrei; Sat 10:30 am Yom Kippur, 4 pm Yizkor, 5:15 pm Ne'ila, 6:45 pm Havdalah. \$150-\$200/person. 995-2333; thewick.org

9/29-30 - Yom Kippur Services at Congregation B'nai Israel, 2200 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. F 7:30 pm Erev Yom Kippur/Kol Nidrei; Sat 8:30 am & noon Yom Kippur morning services, 2:45 pm fast talk, 3:15 pm children's service, 4:30 pm afternoon Torah service, 5:30 pm concluding services, 7 pm sound Shofar 7. Photo ID & Admission card required. 241-8118; cbiboca.org

9/30 - Yom Kippur

Saturday - 9/30 - Breaking the Fast presented by Congregation Beit Kulam at The Wick Theatre and Costume Museum, 7901 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. \$60/person. 995-2333; thewick.org

9/30 - Yom Kippur Services presented by Chabad of East Boca Raton at Mizner Park Cultural Art Center, 201 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 9:30 am morning service; noon Yizkor Memorial Service; 5:30 pm afternoon service; 7:50 pm community Break Fast at Chabad of East Boca Raton, 120 NE 1st Ave, \$25/adult, \$10/child. Reserved High Holiday Seating adult \$75/day; child \$36/day. 417-7797; chabadbocabeaches.com

Tots & Teens

Kravis launches competition to honor high school theater

By Janis Fontaine

Attention local high schools with theater programs:

Applications are being accepted through mid-September from high schools that want to have their theater programs participate in the

first-ever Dream Awards, a program sponsored by the Kravis Center for the Performing Arts and PNC's Arts Alive program.

This program is designed to nurture and celebrate the best of high school musical theater in Palm Beach County, and Kravis

Center theater adjudicators will view and critique the musical theater productions at participating schools.

In June, both student ensemble work and individual performances in musical theater performance will be recognized and honored in Dreyfoos Hall.

An inspiring local theater educator also will be honored.

In addition, two local students, one male and one female, will be selected to travel to New York City next summer for an opportunity to compete in the National High School Musical Theatre Awards, also

known as the Jimmy Awards.

The deadline to file an application is Sept. 15.

Educators who want to participate should contact Miranda Hawkins at 651-4251 or email her at hawkins@kravis.org. ★

Tots & Teens Calendar

TNote: Events are current as of 8/25. Please check with organizers for any changes.

SEPTEMBER 2

Saturday - 9/2 - Call for Entries: 6th Annual Kids' Spooky Film Festival at Sugar Sand Park Community Center, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Young filmmakers invited to submit a short "scary" film. Grand prize GoPro Hero Digital Camera. Deadline for entry 9/23. Age 6-17. \$5/film. Entry forms online: 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org/spooky-film-festival

9/2 - Camp Boca Gap Program Registration at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Fun-tastic activities during school holidays and teacher workdays. Grades K-5. 9/21, 10/16, 11/3, 20-22 & 24, 12/22, 26-29, 1/2-5 & 8, 2/16, 3/19-23, 26 & 30, 6/5-8. Registration begins 2 weeks prior to program date for City/Beach & Park District Residents. 7:30 am-6 pm. Per child \$39.50/day resident; \$55.50/day non-resident. 393-7888; online registration: webtrac.myboca.us

9/2 - Coral Reef Shark, Alligator & Stingray Feedings at Sandoway House Nature Center, 142 S Ocean Blvd, Delray Beach. Shark T-Sat 10:30 am, Sun 1:30 pm; Alligator W/Sat 1 pm; Stingray T-Sun 2:45 pm. Free w/\$5 admission. 274-7263; sandowayhouse.org

9/2 - Opossum, Snake, Owl & Alligator Feedings at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Opossum W 3:15 pm; Snake Th 3:15 pm; Owl F 3:15 pm; Alligator Sat 3:15 pm. Free. 629-8760; pbcnature.com

9/2 - Tiny Toes Ballet/Tap Class at Showtime Performing Arts Theatre, 503 SE Mizner Blvd #73, Boca Raton. Age 3-7. Every Sat 9:30-10 am. \$10. 394-2626; showtimeboca.com

9/2 - Drop-In Story Time at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Music, stories, fingerplays, action songs. Children all ages accompanied by an adult. Every Sat through 9/30 10-10:30 am. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/2 - Little Wonders at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. Hike, crafts, stories. Age 3-4. Children must be accompanied by an adult. 10-11 am. \$5/member, \$8/non-member. Reservations: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

9/2 - Group Swim Lessons at John Denson Pool, 225 NW 12th Ave, Boynton Beach. Children must be potty trained. Levels 1-3. Ages 3 & older. Every Sat through 10/21 10:30 & 11:15 am. \$40/resident; \$50/non-resident. 742-6645; boynton-beach.org

9/2 - Drop-in Craft at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Age 3 & up. Every Sat 10:30-11:30 am. Free w/paid admission. Registration: 742-6780; schoolhousemuseum.org

9/2 - Group Swim Lessons at the Swim Center, 21618 St. Andrews Blvd, Boca Raton. Level 1, 2, 3, 4 & adult classes. Every Sat through 10/21 11 am, noon & 1 pm. Per session: \$60/resident; \$75/non-resident. 544-8540; myboca.us

9/2 - Story Time at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Stories, songs, fingerplays parents and children enjoy together. All ages. T-Sat 11 am. Free w/paid admission. 368-6875; cmboca.org

9/2 - All Art Class at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Age 2-9. Every Sat 11:30 am. \$5/member; \$8/non-member. 368-6875; cmboca.org

9/2 - Nature Detectives at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. New mystery each month. Age 5-7 w/an adult. 11:30 am-12:30 pm. \$5/member; \$8/non-member. Reservations: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

9/2 - Sensory Saturday at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Explore the museum in a sensory modified setting with sound/light adjustments. 1st Sat 11:30 am. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

9/2 - Group Swim Lessons at Meadows Park Pool, 1300 NW 8th St, Boca Raton. Every Sat through 10/21. Levels 1 & 2 noon; Levels 3 & 4 1 pm. \$60/resident; \$75/non-resident. 393-

7851; myboca.us

9/2 - Family Coloring Club at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Relax, share family coloring time for all levels of skills. All ages. Every Sat through 9/30 2:30-4 pm. Free. Registration: 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

9/2 - Jr. Shark Biologist at Sandoway Discovery Center, 142 S Ocean Blvd, Delray Beach. Age 5-12. W through Sun 3:15 pm. Free w/\$5 admission. 274-7263; sandowayhouse.org

9/2-4 4th Annual Kids Free Labor Day Weekend at Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach. Fun music, FPL cooling cube Sun/M. 9 am-5 pm. Under age 13 free w/paid adult admission. 547-9453; palmbeach-zoo.org

SEPTEMBER 3-9

Sunday - 9/3 - Hebrew School at Chabad of East Boca, 120 NE 1st Ave, Boca Raton. New school for grades K-7. Every Sun 10 am-12:30 pm. \$885. Information: 394-9770; bocabeachabad.com/hebrewschool

9/3 - Science Make & Take at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. 1st Sun 11:30 am. \$5/project. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

Monday - 9/4 - Horse Camp at Boca Riding Club and Summer Camp, 16489 Winners Circle, Delray Beach. All ages and levels welcome. Held again 9/21. 9 am-2 pm. \$65/one day, \$100/2 days. 935-4938; bocaridingclub.com

9/4 - Oh Baby at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Pre-literacy class: music, stories, rhymes, lap bounces. Age 3 months to not-yet-walking. Every M 10 am. Free. 266-0798; delraylibrary.org

9/4 - Tales for Tadpoles at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Music/movement rhymes. Age walking-24 months. Every M 10:45 am. Free. 266-0798; delraylibrary.org

9/4 - Fencing/Epee Class at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Fun, exciting introduction to fencing; learn fencing skills, forge new friendships, have a blast. Beginner M/F 7-8:15 pm, \$100-\$125/monthly; intermediate/advanced M/W/F 7-10 pm, \$135-\$168.75/monthly. 954-854-7843; sugarsandpark.org

Tuesday - 9/5 - Toddler Tales at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Age up to 3 years; children must be accompanied by an adult. Every T through 10/26 10-10:30 am. Free. Registration: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/5 - Turtle Tales at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Age 2-3. Every T through 9/19 10 am. Free. 266-0798; delraylibrary.org

9/5 - Baby Storytime at Boynton Beach Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Stories/rhymes, promote literacy/development. Age birth-24 months. Every M 10:30-11 am. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/5 - Mother Nature & Me: Big Ocean Animals at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Experience exciting nature topics through stories, puppets, games, role play, nature walks, crafts. Age 2-5 w/guardian. 10:30 am. \$4/child. Reservations: 629-8760; pbcnature.com

9/5 - Inspired Art at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Age 2-11. T/W/Th 11:30 am-noon. \$5/member; \$8/non-member. 368-6875; cmboca.org

9/5 - Tail Waggin Tutor with Stella at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Elementary school children read to certified therapy dog. Grades K-5. 3-4 pm. Free. Registration: 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

9/5 - Art Studio at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Age 3-5. Every T 3-3:45 pm. \$4/museum member; \$5/non-member + admission. Registration: 742-6780; schoolhousemuseum.org

9/5 - 2nd & 3rd Grade Book Club: How To Be Cool in Third Grade by Betsy Duffey at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 3:30 pm. Free. 266-0197; delraylibrary.org

9/5 - Lego Club at Boynton Beach Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Lego build challenge or

Foundation funds camps

Boca West Country Club, Boca Raton - July 17-28



Boca West Foundation provided a free golf camp to 50 children from the Boys & Girls Club of Boca Raton and the Wayne Barton Study Center this summer. In all, the foundation funded programs for 1,250 low-income children at seven camps, including tennis, where participants were given shoes and an outfit. ABOVE: Mikayla Belanger prepares to hit during golf camp. Photo provided

free build. Grades K-6. 4-5 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/5 - Beginners Social Skills Group at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. In social skills groups, strengthens child's ability for meaningful social relationships; develops critical social skills, ability to actively listen, make/maintain friends, communicate/connect, more. Conducted by therapists of My Florida Therapy. Every T through 10/10. Age 4-7 4:30-6 pm; age 8-12 6:15-7:45 pm. \$360/resident; \$450/non-resident. 347-3900; myfloridatherapy.com

9/5 - USCA Tiny Stars Cheer at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Every T through 9/26 Level I ages 4-6 4:30-5:30 pm; Level II ages 6-11 5:30-6:30 pm. \$40/resident; \$50/non-resident. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

9/5 - BeTeen the Lines at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Age 13+. 1st & 3rd T 4:30-5:30 pm. Free. 819-6405; delraylibrary.org

9/5 - Improv Fun for Kids Class at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Theatre games and exercises use imagination/creativity. Make-up characters, stories, scenes using skills from the improv games. Age 10-14. Every T through 12/5 4:30-5:30 pm. \$195/session. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

9/5 - Anime Club at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Age 13+. 1st & 3rd T 5:30-6:30 pm. Free. 819-6405; delraylibrary.org

9/5 - Advanced Acting Class at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Introduction to auditions, performance, life skills (confidence, verbal/nonverbal communication, listening/focusing skills, ability to share ideas creatively, more). Age 11+. Every T through 12/5 5:30-6:30 pm. \$195/session. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

9/5 - Mad Libs at Boynton Beach Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Wacky fun; read out loud. Grades 6-12. 5:30-6:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/5 - Adobe Photoshop 1 at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Ages 12+. 6-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

9/5-6 - Sensational Story 'n More at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Children's books come to life through interactive performance, singing, movement, props. Age 2-5. T 10:30 am; W 2 pm. Free w/paid admission. 742-6780; schoolhousemuseum.org

9/5-6 - Explorium Science Squad: Ooey Goey Science at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Kids explore,

experiment, trying something new every month. Tue Age 5-6 (w/parent); W Age 7-9. 4-5 pm. \$10/resident; \$12.50/non-resident. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

Wednesday - 9/6 - Family Storytime at Boynton Beach Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Fun stories, silly songs, fingerplays. Age infant-5 years. Held again 9/13 & 20. 10-11 am. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/6 - Reading & Rhythm for 3s-5s at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Literacy enrichment class with stories, music, movement. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Every W through 9/27 10-10:30 am. Free. Registration: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/6 - Re Do/Better Than New at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Join crafty fun renewing, reusing, up-cycling. Turn old stuff into new, useful treasures. 10 am. Free. 266-0197; delraylibrary.org

9/6 - Lil' Explorers: Super Sensory Messy Play at Schoolhouse Children's Museum & Learning Center, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Explore, develop important readiness skills. Age 18 mos-5 yrs. Every W 3-3:45 pm. Per class \$3/member; \$4/non-member + admission. 742-6780; schoolhousemuseum.org

9/6 - Rhythmic Gymnastics at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Every W through 4/26. Beginner 2 age 5-6 3-4 pm \$140-\$175; intermediate age 7-12 3:45-5:15 pm \$180-\$225. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

9/6 - Singing Starz Group Voice Class at Showtime Performing Arts Theatre, 503 SE Mizner Blvd #73, Boca Raton. Age 4-7. Every W 4-4:45 pm. \$15. 394-2626; showtimeboca.com

9/6 - Scratch Art at Boynton Beach Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Special paper, scratch out design. Grades K-5. Held again 9/25. 4:30-5:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/6 - Musical Theatre Performance Class at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Audition, sing, act, dance, perform, script work, costuming. Opportunity to perform on Lake Worth Playhouse mainstage. Directed by Theatre Education Director & professional choreographers. Age 8-15. Every W through 12/13 (no class 11/22) 5-7 pm \$265/session. 586-6410; lakeworthplayhouse.org

9/6 - Teen Gaming at Boynton Beach Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Board/video games use Wii, WiiU, PS3, PS4, Xbox 360. Grades 6-12. Every W through 9/27 5:30-7 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/6 - Introduction to Tinkercad at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Age 8+. Held again 9/27. 6-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

9/6 - Tween Explorers at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Age 9-12. Held again 9/20 & 10/6. 6:30-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

Thursday - 9/7 - Thai Bilingual Drop-In Story Time at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Music, stories, fingerplays, action songs. Children all ages; 8 & younger must be accompanied by an adult. 10-10:30 am. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/7 - Little Explorers: Touch, Play and Learn at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 10 am. Free. 266-0197; delraylibrary.org

9/7 - Knitting Club at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Age 7 to adult. Every Th 3:30-4:30 pm. Free w/museum admission. 368-6875; cmboca.org

9/7 - Storytime Yoga at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Age 4-8. Every Th 3:30 pm. Free. 266-0798; delraylibrary.org

9/7 - Project Fashion Design & Sewing Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Students sketch 2-3 pieces to be made during class. Learn fundamentals of sewing, choosing fabric, decorating with fabric paint, ribbons, trim. Each session concludes with a fashion show for friends/family. Age 8-16. Every Th through 12/31 5-6:30 pm. \$226/resident; \$282.50/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

9/7 - Hack Shack Tech Club: Minecraft 3D Modeling at Stiles-Nicholson STEM Education Center (across the street from the South Florida Science Center and Aquarium), 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Experiment w/computer programming, design video games. Grades 5-8. 5-7 pm. \$15/member; \$20/non-member. Registration: 832-2026; sfsiencecenter.org

9/7 - Tween Tech Time at Boynton Beach Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Experience the Virtual Zone; make a book review for BookTube, make beats on GarageBand. Grades 5-8. 5:30-6:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/7 - Hoot by Carl Hiaasen part of the Tween Book Jam at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Age 9-12. 6:30-7:30 pm. Free. Registration: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/7-8 - Karate/Martial Arts Classes at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Karate and blend of other combat martial arts. Age 9 to adult. Every Th/F 6-7:30 pm. Per month \$10/resident, \$12/non-resident; \$25/one-time uniform fee. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

Friday - 9/8 - Spanish for Kids: Mommy & Me Program at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Learn Spanish by means of sensory play, interactive games, rhymes, songs. All levels. Age 2-4. Every F through 10/13 9:30-10:15 am or 10:30-11:15 am. \$95/resident; \$119/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

9/8 - Tot Time at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Enjoy crafts, snacks, indoor play stations. Drop in anytime during the program. Age 2-5. 10 am-noon. \$5/child. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

9/8 - Zumbini Class at 505 Teen Center, 505 SE 5th Ave, Delray Beach. Created by Zumba and BabyFirst. Music, dance, educational tools for bonding, learning. Includes Zumbini Bundle: 20 original songs/Songbook with lyrics and animation, plush toy. Age 0-4. Every F through 10/13 10:15 am. \$135/child; \$40/additional child. 244-0282; zumbini.com/classes/1095

9/8 - Sensory Art for Tots at Boca Raton Children's Museum, 498 Crawford Blvd. Age 1-4 w/parent or caregiver. Every F 11:30 am. Per session \$3/member; \$5/non-member. 368-6875; cmboca.org

9/8 - Rhythmic Gymnastics at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Every F through 10/27. Mini Stars age 3-4 2:15-3 pm \$130-\$162.50; beginner 2 age 5-6 3-4 pm \$140-\$175; intermediate age 7-12 3:45-5:15 \$180-\$225. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

9/8 - Unity Dance Team at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Enhances balance, provides exercise, teaches how to gracefully dance, execute interpretive movement. Age 7-15. Every F 6:30-8:30 pm. Free. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

9/8 - Eyes to the Skies with professional-grade 16-inch Meade LX Schmidt-Cassegrain telescope at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Informal event held in the parking lot (weather permitting). Telescope is out for at least one hour after scheduled start time; stars must be visible for telescope to align. Age 8+ (under 18 must be accompanied by an adult). 8 pm. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

Saturday - 9/9 - The Delray Beach Playhouse Young Actors' Workshop at The Children's Theatre, 950 NW 9th St. Full, performing arts curriculum of acting, stage movement, voice, dance, and a staff of accredited professionals. Grades 3-12. Runs through 11/18. 9 am. \$275-\$350. 272-1281 x4; delray-beachplayhouse.com

9/9 - Soccer Shots at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Every Sat through 12/9. Age 2-3 9-9:30, 9:30-10 am & 10-10:30 am; age 4-5 10:30-11:15 am. \$98/resident; \$122.50/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

9/9 - Clayng Around at Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Basic techniques of pottery including wedging, centering clay. Age 8-14. Every Sat through 10/14 9-11 am. \$55/resident; \$69/non-resident. Registration: 742-6650; boynton-beach.org

9/9 - Expedition: Science Playground at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Put on your thinking caps for a closer look at the scientific principles found in our Science Playground. Age 5-w/parent/guardian. 2nd Sat 9-10 am. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

9/9 - Colorful Abstractions at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Part of smART series. Art workshops or live performances: interactive opportunity to learn, create, enjoy the arts. Family fare. 10-11 am. \$5/family non-member. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

9/9 - Kidz On Stage Class: Tangled at Showtime Performing Arts Theatre, 503 SE Mizner Blvd #73, Boca Raton. Children audition, act, sing, dance, perform. Age 3-7. Performance date 12/9. Every Sat through 12/9 10-11 am. \$300. 394-2626; showtimeboca.com

9/9 - smART: Wild & Wacky Abstracts at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Studio workshops for families/intergenerational groups that focus on artistic family fun for all ages to learn, create, enjoy the visual arts. 10-11 am. \$5/family; free/member. Reservations: 392-2500 x106; bocamuseum.org

9/9 - Spanish for Kids at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Learn Spanish through interactive games/activities, learn about the culture of Spanish-speaking countries. All levels. Age 5-12. Every Sat through 10/14 10:30-11:30 am. \$105/resident; \$131/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

9/9 - Family Studio: Dream It, Build It at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Children w/adult partner tour the current special exhibition, then create their own artwork. Age 5-12 w/parents. Every Sat through 9/30 10:30 am-12:30 pm. Free. 832-5196 x1196; norton.org

9/9 - Acting Class at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Introduction for auditions, performance, life skills (confidence, verbal/nonverbal communication, listening/focusing skills, ability to share ideas creatively, more). Every Sat through 12/9. Beginning (Act I) age 7+ 10-11 am; intermediate (Act II) age 8+ 11 am-noon. \$195/session. 586-6410; lakeworth-playhouse.org

9/9 - Science Stories at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Hear favorite science inspired stories. Age 5 & up. Every Sat 11:30 am. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

9/9 - Family Fun: Respect-For-The-Aged Day Craft at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Respect-for-the-Aged Day (keiro no hi) is a Japanese national holiday where respect for the elderly and longevity are celebrated in the month of September. Create your own origami card to give to your grandparents or an elder you admire. Noon-3 pm. Free w/paid admission. 495-0233 x237; morikami.org

9/9 - Lecture: Funding Your College Education at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults & teens age 14-17. 1-2:30 pm. Free. 393-7906; bocalibrary.org

9/9 - USA Netball Association at Pompey Park Recreation Center, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Fast, skillful team game based on running, jumping, throwing, catching. Females age 6 & up. 2nd & 4th Sat 6-8 pm. Free. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

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Sunday - 9/10 - Sunday Movie: Brave at Sugar Sand Park Community Center, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. 11 am; 2 pm

sensory-friendly show. \$1 admission includes popcorn/beverage. 347-3948; sugarsandpark.org

Monday - 9/11 - Oh Baby at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Pre-literacy class: music, stories, rhymes, lap bounces. Age 3 months to not-yet-walking. Every M 10 am. Free. 266-0798; delraylibrary.org

9/11 - Tales for Tadpoles at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Music/movement rhymes. Age walking-24 months. Every M 10:45 am. Free. 266-0798; delraylibrary.org

9/11 - Baby Bookworm at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Storytime for infants accompanied by an adult. Age 3 months to walking. Every M through 9/25 11-11:30 am. Free. Registration: 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

9/11 - Early Afternoon Explorers: Squishy Circuits at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Age 6-9 1-2 pm; age 10-12 2-3 pm. \$10/resident; \$12.50/non-resident. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

9/11 - Rhythmic Gymnastics at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Every M through 10/27. Beginner 1 age 4-5 4-5 pm; beginner 2 age 5-6 3-4 pm. \$140/resident; \$175/non-resident. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

9/11 - Get in the Game! at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Xbox, PlayStations, Wii. Age 13+. 3:30-5:30 pm. Free. 819-6405; delraylibrary.org

9/11 - Adventures in Reading at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Children attend independently. Age 4-6. Every M through 9/25 3:30-4 pm. Free. Registration: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/11 - Tennis Whiz Kids at Tennis Center, 3111 S Congress Ave, Boynton Beach. Key elements (space, object, people, brain, body, movement) combined in every on-court session. Age 3-5 (age 5 w/no experience). Every M through 10/9 4-4:30 pm. \$40/resident; \$50/non-resident. 742-6575; boynton-beach.org

9/11 - Jazz & Musical Theatre at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Introduction to musical dance routines, jazz warm-ups/routines, Prop dances. Age 5-9. Every M through 10/23 4:15-5 pm. \$90/resident; \$113/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

9/11 - Kids Activity Lab at Boynton Beach Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Board/video games use Wii, WiiU, PS3, Xbox 360 or make wearable art. Grades K-5. Held again 9/25. 4:30-5:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/11 - Mini Mozart: Youth Orchestra of Palm Beach County at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. String class for younger students w/limited or no experience. Age 5-8. Every M through 12/4 4:30-5:30 pm. \$180/resident; \$225/non-resident. 281-8600; yomail@yopbc.org

9/11 - Tennis Fundamentals at Tennis Center, 3111 S Congress Ave, Boynton Beach. Based on USTA Florida Youth Tennis Pathway. Smaller courts, shorter racquets, slower-moving/lower-bouncing balls. Every M through 10/9. Age 5-8 4:30-5:15 pm \$48-\$60; age 9-12 5:30-6:15 pm \$60-\$75. 742-6575; boynton-beach.org

9/11 - No Filter: Teen Group at Boynton Beach Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Talk about issues with teen Americorps member. Topics/activities change weekly. Snacks provided. Grades 8-12. Every M through 9/25 5:30-6:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

Tuesday - 9/12 - Kangaroo Kids Programs at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Educational developmental class. Every T through 10/24. Age 2-3 years 10-10:45 am; age 3-5 years 11-11:45 am. \$90/resident; \$113/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

9/12 - Daggerwing Visits the Library: Snakes at West Boca Branch Library, 18685 N State Rd 7, Boca Raton. Features live animal ambassadors. Age 5+. 3:30 pm. Free. RSVP: 470-1600; pbcnature.com

9/12 - Kidokinetics at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. New sport each week. Soccer, hockey, tennis, basketball, volleyball, golf, hula hoops, obstacle courses, T-ball, more. Every T through 10/31. Age 3-5 3:45-4:30 pm; age 2-4 4:30-5:15 pm (some parent involvement). \$88/resident; \$110/non-resident. 954-385-8511; kidokinetics.com

9/12 - Adobe Photoshop 2 at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Age 12+. 6-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

9/12 - Everything, Everything by Nicola Yoon part of Teen Book Club at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Age 13-17. 6:30-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

Wednesday - 9/13 - Music Together at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Variety of age groups fosters natural, family-style learning. Any caregiver can bring the child. Every W through 12/6. Age 0-5. 9:30-10:15 am, 10:30-11:15 am or 11:30 am-12:15

pm. \$50/materials fee due to instructor at first class; \$180/resident, \$165.01/2nd child; \$225/non-resident, \$206.26/2nd child. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

9/13 - Miss Sara's Dance Class at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Basics of ballet, tap, creative movement. Adults wait outside the classroom. Every W through 10/18. Age 2 10:15-10:45 am \$60-\$75; age 3-5 11-11:45 am \$78-\$98. 367-7035; myboca.us

9/13 - Little Makers: Cubetto at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Age 6-8. 3:30-4:30 pm. Free. Registration: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/13 - Youth Archery Class at Meadows Park Tennis Court, 1300 NW 8th St, Boca Raton Skill development, paper target practice. Age 8-13. Every W through 10/18 6-7 pm. \$60/resident; \$75/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

Thursday - 9/14 - Drop In Story Time at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Music, stories, fingerplays, action songs. Children all ages; 8 & younger must be accompanied by an adult. Every Th through 9/28 10-10:30 am. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/14 - Spin Art at Boynton Beach Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Use paint, make swirly masterpieces. Grades 2-8. 4:30-5:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/14 - Duct Tape Craft at Boynton Beach Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Grades 6-12. 5:30-7 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/14 - Youth Makers: Ozobot at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Age 9-14. 6-7 pm. Free. Registration: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/14 - Create It @ Your Library at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Grades 6-12. 6:30-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/15 - Friday Night at the Museum at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. A night out without your parents! Wear comfy clothes, hang out in the Explorium after hours, watch a movie, do a fun experiment. Age 7-12. 6-9:30 pm. \$20/resident; \$25/non-resident. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

Saturday - 9/16 - Junior Naturalist Series: Jr. Ornithologist at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. For youth interested in nature/outdoor activities. Age 9-14. 9 am-noon. \$10/class; \$50/6 classes. Reservations: 966-7000; pbcnature.com

9/16 - Gymnastics at Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Develop strength, flexibility, coordination; classes designed for introductory skill development on vault, bars, beams, floor. Every Sat through 10/28. Age 4-7 9-10 am; age 8-12 10-11 am. \$66/resident; \$83/non-resident. 742-6550; boynton-beach.org

9/16 - Soccer Shots at Intracoastal Park, 2240 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. Age-specific curriculum; equipment provided. Every Sat through 12/2. Age 2-3 9:30-10 am; age 4-6 10:05-10:50 am. \$120/resident; \$150/non-resident. 742-6240; boynton-beach.org

9/16 - Into The Woods Jr. at Showtime Performing Arts Theatre, 503 SE Mizner Blvd, Boca Raton. Every Sat through 10/21 (no show 9/30). 4 pm. \$14.50/adult; \$10.50/child 11 & under. 394-2626; showtimeboca.com

9/16-17 - Science Demonstrations at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Hear favorite science-inspired stories. Ages 5 & up. 3:30 pm. Free. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

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Sunday - 9/17 - Citizen Science Samplers at Gumbo Limbo Nature Center, 1801 N Ocean Blvd, Boca Raton. New hands-on science experience every month. Age 12-17; must be signed in/out by a parent/guardian. 9:30-11:30 am. Free. Reservations: 544-8615; gumbolimbo.org

Monday - 9/18 - Acting 101 at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Age-appropriate character work. Age 5-10. Every M through 10/23 3-5 pm. \$200/resident; \$250/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

9/18 - Spanish Heritage Month Snack at Boynton Beach Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Enjoy a snack, learn about Hispanic heritage/customs. Grades K-5. 4:30-5:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/18 - Actors Conservatory at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. For future professional actors. Training in the style of collegiate conservatory with focus on classical acting, movement, vocal exercises, stage combat, more. Age 11-18. Every M through 12/4 5-8 pm. \$475/resident; \$594/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

9/18 - Auditions for Les Misérables (School Edition) at Showtime Performing Arts Theatre, 503 SE Mizner Blvd #73, Boca Raton. Age 3-17. 5-8 pm. 394-2626; showtimeboca.com

Tuesday - 9/19 - Mother Nature & Me:

Start Your Garden at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Experience nature topics through stories, puppets, games, role play, nature walks, crafts. Age 2-5 (w/guardian). 10:30 am. \$4/child. Reservations: 629-8760; pbcnature.com

9/19 - 3D Printing at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Age 7 & up. 3:30 pm. Free. Registration: 266-0798; delraylibrary.org

9/19 - "Fall"ing Leaves at Boynton Beach Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Create melted crayon leaves. Grades 2-6. 4:30-5:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/19 - Hispanic Heritage Month Movie Night at Boynton Beach Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Watch short film, vote for your favorite. Grades 6-12. 5:30-7 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/19 - Adobe Photoshop 3 at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Age 12+. 6-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

9/20 - Booktastic Book Club for 7s & 8s: Leopard Rescue: True Life Stories by Sara Starbuck at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Free copy of book upon registration. Child attends independently. Registration: 3:30-4:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

9/20 - Page Turners: El Deafo by Cece Bell at Boynton Beach Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Register in Youth Services to get book. Snacks provided. Grades 3-6. 4:30-5:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/20 & 23 - Animal Alphabet A-F at Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach. Early Explorers program. 2 year olds: 10-11 am, 9/20; 3&4 year olds: 10-11:30 am, 9/23. Adult required to attend. Free. Registration: palmbeachzoo.org/childrens-workshops

Thursday - 9/21 - Fine Arts Free Days at Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave, Boynton Beach. Clay, painting, drawing, sculpture, music. Ages 5-12. 7:30 am-5:30 pm. \$29/resident; \$35/non-resident. 742-6444; boynton-beach.org

9/21 - Fit2play Days at Hester Center, 1901 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Tennis, swimming, golf, soccer, fitness. Age 5-12. 7:30 am-5:30 pm. \$29/resident; \$35/non-resident. 742-6444; boynton-beach.org

9/21 - School's Out Workshop: Theatre Skits at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Age 5-11. 8:30 am-1 pm. \$65/resident; \$81.25/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

9/21 - School's Out Workshop: Bright & Smart Coding and Robotics at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Age 7-11. 8:30 am-3 pm. \$70/resident; \$87.50/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

9/21 - Intro to Archery at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. USA Archery/N.F.A.A. certified instructor. Bow and arrow safety, how to properly use equipment, practice on the range. Age 8+. 10 am. \$10. Reservations: 629-8760; pbcnature.com

9/21 - Archery 101 at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. USA Archery certified instructor. Program starts w/indoor demonstration of basics, followed by outdoor target practice. Equipment provided, wear closed-toe shoes, bring sunscreen. Age 9+. 10 am. \$10/person/session. RSVP: 966-7000; pbcnature.com

9/21 - Playground Playdate at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Get info about upcoming programs, enjoy free kid's activities. Held again 10/7. 11 am-12:30 pm. Free. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

9/21 - Get Loud! Youth Voices Matter at Boynton Beach Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Learn tips/skills. Snacks provided. Grades 6-12. 5:30-7 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

Friday - 9/22 - Children's Special: John Mallory's Holy Cow at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Child 8 & under must be accompanied by an adult. Grades K-5. 3:30-4:14 pm. Free. Registration: 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

Saturday - 9/23 - 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 10 am. Free. Registration: 266-0798; delraylibrary.org

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Tuesday - 9/26 - Crafters Club at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. New crafts each month. Age 13+. 4:30-6:30 pm. Free. 819-6405; delraylibrary.org

9/26 - Adobe Photoshop Lightroom at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Age 12+. 6-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

9/26 - GEMS Club: Cool Coders at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Empower young girls to explore STEM fields. Girls grades 3-8. High school girls can volunteer to be mentors. 5-7 pm. \$7/advance, \$9/at the door. Registration: 370-7710; sfsccenter.org/gems

Thursday - 9/28 - Adobe Photoshop Studio at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Age 8+. 4-5:30 pm. Free. 393-7906; bocalibrary.org

9/28 - Teen Book Discussion at Boynton Beach Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Register in Youth Services to get book. Snacks provided. Grades 6-12. 6-7 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

Friday - 9/29 - Game On! Night At The Museum at South Florida Science Center and Aquarium, 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Science crafts, activities, entertainment, exhibits, planetarium shows, a chance to view the night sky. 6-9 pm. \$12/adult; \$10/senior; \$8/child (3-12); \$6/adult member; free/child member & kids under 3. 832-1988; sfsccenter.org

9/29 - Exhibit Opening: When the Earth Shakes at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Explore the science of earthquakes and tsunamis. 7-9 pm. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

Saturday - 9/30 - Junior Naturalist Series: Jr. Herpetologist at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. For youth interested in nature/outdoor activities. Age 9-14. 9 am-noon. \$10/class. Reservations: 966-7000; pbcnature.com

9/30 - Story & Craft Time at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. Discover nature through crafts, stories about animals, other nature-related themes. Age 4-10. 10 am. \$2. RSVP: 966-7000; pbcnature.com

9/30 - Still Life/Sketch a Pet Drawing and Sketching Workshop at Intracoastal Park Clubhouse, Boynton Beach. Basic introduction of line, shape, value, composition. Age 8-14. Every Sat through 11/4 10:30 am-1:30 pm. \$100/resident; \$125/non-resident. 742-6221; boynton-beach.org

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Tuesday - 10/3 - USCA Tiny Stars Cheer at Sugar Sand Park Field House, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Every T through 10/31 Level I age 4-6 4:30-5:30 pm; Level II age 6-11 5:30-6:30 pm. \$50/resident; \$62.50/non-resident. 347-3950; sugarsandpark.org

10/3-4 - Explorium Science Squad: Busy Builders at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Explore, experiment, try something new every month. Tue Age 5-6 (w/parent); W Age 7-9. 4-5 pm. \$10/resident; \$12.50/non-resident. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

10/3-4 - Group Swim Lessons at John Denison Pool, 225 NW 12th Ave, Boynton Beach. Young children must be potty trained. Age 3 & older/Level 1. T/Th through 10/26 or W/F through 10/27 4, 4:30, 5 & 5:30 pm. \$40/resident; \$50/non-resident. 742-6645; boynton-beach.org

Wednesday - 10/4 - Tot Soccer League at Carolyn Sims Center, 225 NW 12th Ave, Boynton Beach. Age 3-5. 6-7 pm. \$40/resident; \$50/non-resident. 742-6641; boynton-beach.org

Thursday - 10/5 - Chess for Kids at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Learn about the pieces, how to set them up, move them, interrelate them, do check/checkmate moves. Age 4-12. Every Th through 10/26 4:30-5:30 pm. \$95/resident; \$119/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

10/5 - Hack Shack Tech Club: Sploder Game Lab at Stiles-Nicholson STEM Education Center (across the street from the South Florida Science Center and Aquarium), 4801 Dreher Tr N, West Palm Beach. Experiment w/computer programming, design video games. Grades 5-8. 5-7 pm. \$15/member; \$20/non-member. Registration: 832-2026; sfsccenter.org

Friday - 10/6 - Beginner Piano for Children at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Hal Leonard EZ Play Today method. Bring a keyboard to class. Age 6+. Every F through 12/15 5-6:30 pm. \$80/resident; \$100/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

10/6 - Friday Night at the Museum at Children's Science Explorium, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. A night out without your parents. Wear comfy clothes, hang out in the Explorium after hours, watch a movie, do a fun experiment. Ages 7-12. 6-9:30 pm. \$20/resident; \$25/non-resident. 347-3912; scienceexplorium.org

10/6 - Beginner Folk Guitar at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Learn to play the guitar with three chords, tablature reading, lead sheet expertise! Bring acoustic guitar. Age 12+. Every F through 12/15. 7:30-9 pm. \$80/resident; \$100/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

Saturday - 10/7 - Junior Naturalist Series: Jr. Survivalist at Green Cay Nature Center, 12800 Hagen Ranch Rd, Boynton Beach. For youth interested in nature/outdoor activities. Age 9-14. 9 am-noon. \$10/class. Reservations: 966-7000; pbcnature.com

House of the Month

Each month, The Coastal Star features a house for sale in our community. The House of the Month is presented as a service to our advertisers and provides readers with a peek inside one of our houses.



The kitchen of this Ocean Ridge house has top-of-the-line Italian cabinetry by Snaidero and Miele appliances that include a wine cooler, induction cooktop, double oven and built-in coffee system.



The family room of this ranch-style house opens to a pool deck and lawn. The home has three bedrooms and three baths in 3,507 square feet.

Revamped Ocean Ridge ranch

A private, deeded beach comes with this sophisticated Ocean Ridge residence, which has been updated by professional designers and is ready for occupancy.

From the interior to the infrastructure — the concrete roof, pool, decking, air-conditioning systems and the electric grid have been replaced to make this feel like a newly constructed home.

Consisting of three bedrooms and three full baths with 3,507 total square feet, this ranch-style home has a family room that opens to a stylish pool deck and lawn.

Outside, the fully fenced lush corner lot features gardens that have been certified by the National Wildlife Federation. The newly refurbished saltwater pool and spa is surrounded by marble pavers and a covered patio.

The living room is accented by custom lighting and tall windows. It also overlooks the tropical garden.

A sleek gourmet kitchen makes entertaining a breeze with top-of-the-line Italian cabinetry by Snaidero and Miele appliances including a wine cooler, induction cooktop, double oven and built-in coffee system. The private master bedroom suite is a secluded oasis with beautiful hardwood floors and a spa-like bath including bidet, roman tub, dual sinks and separate shower. A separate wing encompasses two additional guest bedrooms and two baths. A well-designed home office completes the interior space.

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A formal dining area is situated between the family room and kitchen.



ABOVE: The saltwater pool and spa is surrounded by marble pavers and a covered patio. **LEFT:** Formal walkways aid in traversing the corner-lot property.



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Along the Coast



Boynton Beach residents Brandon Hill and Julia Calderon celebrate Hill's 31st birthday with friends Jordan Merritt and Crystal Law at The Melting Pot in Boca Raton. Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star

By Mary Thurwachter

Savor September

This month, restaurants from Boca Raton to Palm Beach are prepared to satisfy every craving with scrumptious, wallet-friendly creations too good to pass up

Those of us who live in South Florida year-round find September delicious. The reason? Many of the area's best restaurants deliver dining deals all month, giving us the opportunity to enjoy creative, inventive dishes from top chefs. Between Flavor Palm Beach (www.flavorpb.com), and Boca Raton Restaurant Month (www.bocarestaurantmonth.com), the choices are many.

Boca Raton Restaurant Month, new this year, has a theme of "Boca Loves New York," a nod to Boca Raton's large number of New York-inspired eateries. Participating restaurants offer three-course meals featuring signature dishes at reduced prices: \$21-\$25 for lunch and \$36-\$40 for dinner. In keeping with the theme, each restaurant will have at least one New York-inspired dish or cocktail (think Manhattan clam chowder or New York cheesecake). For example, at the Melting Pot, an iconic Boca Raton eatery for 27 years, a New York cheesecake fondue dessert has been created for the September menu.

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Celebrations

Walk kicks off

The Wine Cellar, Boynton Beach – July 26



Buddy Walk ... Uncorked kicked off the 23rd annual Buddy Walk in style, raising nearly \$3,000 for the Gold Coast Down Syndrome Organization Resource Center. Sixty-plus supporters attended the party, which featured food, wine, auctions and a raffle. 'It was very successful,' executive director Anne Dichele says. 'The nice thing about this event is that we have people who come who learn more about Gold Coast and more about the walk.' The walk will take place Oct. 15. **ABOVE:** Kim and Gail Marino. **Photo provided**

Rotary Club of Delray Beach ceremonial luncheon

Delray Beach Club – June 27



Rotary Club of Delray Beach President Fred Bonardi passed the gavel to President-Elect John Fischer and thanked members for their exemplary service during the 2016-17 season. Ernie Simon was recognized for 50 years of perfect attendance. Roger Caine was awarded as Rotarian of the Year. Betsy Owen, who received an Outstanding Achievement Award, recognized all of the women in the club, as Rotary is celebrating 30 years of female participation. **ABOVE:** Harvey Brown presents Simon with the perfect-attendance award. **ABOVE RIGHT:** Bonardi welcomes Robert Kelley. **RIGHT:** Owen receives the Outstanding Achievement Award from Bill Arnst. **Photos provided**

Luncheon leaders named

Boca Raton Resort & Club – June 29



Barb Schmidt will be honorary chairwoman of the Junior League of Boca Raton's Woman Volunteer of the Year Luncheon, set for Oct. 5. Past President Kirsten Stanley will serve as event chairwoman. The affair (this year is its 30th) is considered one of the kickoffs to the South Florida social season. 'Our Woman Volunteer of the Year Luncheon spotlights not only the Junior League of Boca but the entire nonprofit community,' President Renata Sans de Negri says. 'It is remarkable to see the difference we are making as female volunteers in the community when you see the women who take the stage on Oct. 5.' **ABOVE:** (l-r) Mindy Shikiar, Schmidt, Stanley and Maureen Mann. **Photo provided**

SunTrust steps up

Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton – July 12



Theatre Lab, Florida Atlantic University's professional production company dedicated to the development of new work in American stage, has landed its first corporate donor. SunTrust joined the Theatre Lab Inner Circle, created to raise private support for the endeavor. 'Theatre Lab and FAU are thrilled to have SunTrust Bank as a part of our artistic family,' artistic director Lou Tyrrell says. 'The trust that SunTrust has placed in us through their support will help to provide important and thoughtful theater experiences for our entire South Florida community, for which we are truly grateful.' **ABOVE:** (l-r) Lisa Matthews and Evan Farrell, of SunTrust, with Francesca Daniels and Tyrrell, of Theatre Lab. **Photo provided**

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Philanthropy Notes

Golden Bell event rings up \$5,500 for Boca Raton schools

More than 250 supporters gathered in celebration of the 2017 Golden Bell Education Foundation fundraiser and the nonprofit's 26th anniversary. The occasion also marked the sixth anniversary of the Inner Circle Executive Club.

Guests enjoyed cocktails and appetizers while bidding in the silent auction. Proceeds topping \$5,500 will go toward Boca Raton public schools.

"It was a really fun night, and I can't thank our generous donors enough," foundation manager Christie Workman said.

Shuzz benefits from Realtors Association event

The Realtors Association of the Palm Beaches, through its Ready, Set, Glow! Pub & Grub event, gave a gift of \$4,670 to Shuzz, an organization that provides new shoes to poor children around the world.

Pronounced "shoes," the nonprofit is supported by volunteers who distribute thousands of free shoes to those in need to prevent them from harm and risk.

"Our members are very active in the community and love to give back through volunteering and fundraising efforts," association CEO Dionna Hall said.

Bank of America gives \$25,000 to literacy group

Bank of America Charitable Foundation's 2017 Workforce Development and Basic Needs Grant has named the Literacy Coalition of Palm Beach County a recipient.

The \$25,000 will support the coalition's mission of improving the quality of life in the community by promoting literacy. It will go to help adult students in family programs obtain the skills they need to sustain jobs.

"Thanks to Bank of America's support through the Workforce Development and Basic Needs Grant, we are able to help families in our community achieve economic mobility," said Kristin Calder, the agency's CEO.

Grant creates new class on climate change for kids

Sandoway Discovery Center has received a three-year, \$62,000 grant from the Community Foundation for Palm Beach and Martin Counties.

The grant will benefit the Junior Naturalist Program, helping to launch an interactive environmental class called Our Changing Earth. The class covers climate change, sea-level rise and recycling and is offered to students in kindergarten

through eighth grade.

"We are so excited to bring environmental education to the children that need it the most," said Danica Sanborn, executive director of the center. "We hope to inspire the next generation to conserve and protect our natural resources."

Hunger relief for homebound seniors

In an effort to reduce senior hunger, Meals on Wheels of the Palm Beaches will deliver food to low-income elderly residents on waiting lists with other agencies thanks to a two-year, \$200,000 grant from the Celia Lipton Farris and Victor W. Farris Foundation.

The grant enables the organization to collaborate with United Way of Palm Beach County's hunger-relief committee to serve homebound seniors.

"Many of the seniors we will be serving have been waiting for nutritious meals to be delivered for years," Meals on Wheels President Pamela Calzadilla said.

Friends of Mounts fetes supporters, raises \$121,000

Friends of the Mounts Botanical Garden's spring benefit was supported by more than 250 guests and raised \$121,000, which will be used for

educational programs, as well as the newly opened Windows on the Floating World: Blume Tropical Garden.

Proceeds from luncheon to purchase birthing simulator

Bethesda Hospital Foundation's Women of Grace Luncheon returns Nov. 9 to honor five local philanthropists for extraordinary service in the community.

The nominees are: Yvonne Boice, of Palm Beach State College Foundation; Tammy Culmer, of Take Stock in Children; Linda Heneks, of YMCA of South Palm Beach County; Jacqueline Moroco Maloney, of Bethesda Hospital Foundation; and Kirsten Stanley, of Junior League of Boca Raton. A 2017 Future Woman of Grace also will be recognized — Claudia Cabral, a senior at Suncoast Community High School. Proceeds will benefit the Center for Women and Children at Bethesda Health through the purchase of a state-of-the-art, realistic mother and baby birthing simulator.

The luncheon begins with a reception at 10:30 a.m. followed by the awards ceremony from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Boca Raton Resort & Club. For information, call

737-7733, Ext. 84429 or visit bethesdahospitalfoundation.org/events.

Unicorn Children's group names board members

Unicorn Children's Foundation, a leader in the field of special needs, has appointed 11 incumbents and nine new members to the board of directors.

The group brings a wealth of business knowledge that will help the organization expand its impact and ensure children with special needs excel in their communities.

The 2017-18 panel consists of President Gregory Fried, Vice President Melissa Burkhardt, secretary Dr. Rafael Cabrera, treasurer Tabitha LeTourneau Meyerer, Alisa Bachana Jaffe, Marilyn Blanco-Corey, Lori Cabrera, Michael Church, Claude DuBois, Joseph Eppy, Angela Fisher, Barry Halperin, Madeline Hillsberg, William Kruegel, Jeannette Stark, Gwendoline Taylor, Gail Wasserman, Gale Wechsler, Michelle Yellin and Adam Ziffer.



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Around Town

Steps that shine – Ballroom Battle breaks fundraising record

Seldom is the Boca Raton Resort & Club in such terpsichorean splendor. On Aug. 19, the Mizner Center's Royal Palm Ballroom was filled with dancers from around the globe — pros, amateurs and pro-ams — for the Killick Klassik, a weekend-long competition with more than \$50,000 in cash prizes, plus scholarships and trophies.

If you appreciate top-notch ballroom dancing, this was the place to be.

The crowd was much larger in the adjacent Grand Ballroom and the dancing was, shall we say, a bit less refined. The payoff was much greater, though not for the dancers.

The 10th annual Boca's Ballroom Battle paired community leaders, all rank amateurs, with professionals from the Fred Astaire Dance Studio, for competition in fundraising for the George Snow Scholarship Fund. Their success was measured by how much money they raised and by the prizes for the best man and woman fundraisers: mirrored balls.

Started in 1982, the fund has awarded \$9.2 million in grants to more than 1,400 students, 300 who now receive assistance. This year it has awarded just over \$1 million to 87 Snow Scholars.

Among those on the dance floor were **Lisa Kornstein Kaufman**, who refuses to let multiple sclerosis hold her back; **Elizabeth Titcomb**, who, in costume a la *La Cage Aux Folles*, showed flashes of brilliance; and **Logan Skees**, a Marine veteran and director of business development at Trainerspace.

The mirrored balls went to community activist **Terry Fedele**, who raised \$124,851, and **John Tolbert**, who runs the Boca Resort & Club. He raised a record \$193,332 of the record \$508,000 taken in, obliterating



Terry Fedele and James Brann, owner of the Fred Astaire Dance Studio, entrance the audience. **Tim Stepien/The Coastal Star**

the 2016 total of \$336,000.

"We did things at the hotel, even a yoga event," said Tolbert, who readily admitted to having two left feet, "but we did a lot in the community and when we could, all the dancers worked together. It's a great cause and it's great for the community. I loved the fundraising, and the dancing was just a lot of fun."

The U.S. Professional Tennis Association holds its annual convention next month in Orlando. Among its 13,500 members you'll find a few household names such as the Everts — Chris, Jeanne (Dubin), Drew and John — Kathy Rinaldi, and Jay Berger. But USPTA members are not,

for the most part, players. They help create the household names. They are the teaching pros, the people who create and develop the players.

Rick Macci runs the Rick Macci Tennis Academy at Boca Lago Country Club. But as a coach and guide to the likes of Serena and Venus Williams, Maria Sharapova, Jennifer Capriati, Andy Roddick and Mary Pierce plus up-and-comers Sofia Kenin, Vicky Duval, Tornado Alicia Black and Hurricane Tyra Black, he can claim an impressive résumé.

On Oct. 13, Macci will become the 20th — and, at 62, the youngest — member of the USPTA Hall of Fame. A seven-time USPTA Coach of the Year and USPTA Florida Hall of Fame inductee, Macci is renowned for his technical, strategic and mental expertise. He has been named Coach of the Year seven times by the U.S. Tennis Association, which recently honored him and Billie Jean King with Team USA Legendary Coaching Awards.

"Rick Macci is one of our sport's greatest coaching minds, proven by the almost surreal list of champions he has coached and influenced," USTA Player

Development General Manager **Martin Blackman** said. "Rick's expertise and passion for teaching continues to keep him as one of the world's foremost instructors."

Though they've dominated the women's game for more than a decade, tennis is taking a back seat for the **Williams sisters**. **Venus** had completed her surprise run to the final at Wimbledon and the U.S. Open was a month away, and with sister **Serena's** pregnancy in full bloom, why not throw a shower? But instead of a five-star hotel or the ballroom at their home club of BallenIsles, they chose Nick's 50's Diner on Okeechobee Boulevard, just west of Interstate 95.

The guests, including **Ciara, La La Anthony, Angela Beyince, Kelly Rowland** and **Eva Longoria**, arrived in '50s attire — poodle skirts and saddle shoes. Reddit co-founder and father-to-be **Alexis Ohanian** adopted a greaser look with white T-shirt and leather jacket.

Baby's due in mid-September.

Summer has certainly been lively up in West Palm Beach. Before launching his latest tour, seasonal Palm Beacher **Rod Stewart** rehearsed with **Cyndi Lauper** at G-Star Studios. And because G-Star is part of the

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sprawling G-Star School of the Arts for Film, Animation and Performing Arts complex on Congress Avenue, students served as crew, loading in, setting up and loading out truckloads of gear and watching the rehearsals.

When the producer asked if anyone could play piano for a sound check, student **Kiley Thibodeau** stepped up to Stewart's original Hammond B-3, vintage 1952, and rattled off a series of tunes while technicians dialed in the equipment.

Stewart, who's sold more than 100 million records, and Lauper, who has sold more than 50 million discs and won a Tony for writing the score to *Kinky Boots*, were impressed. Touring the campus, Stewart took note of the vintage C-47 cargo plane on display and left his autograph on it.

"This is what we do that no other high school or college can," G-Star founder and CEO **Greg Hauptner** said. "Many of our students receive real world, hands-on experience working on sets with the cast, crews and stars of multimillion-dollar films, commercials, music videos and rehearsals and more."

The tour opened July 6 at Hard Rock Casino in Hollywood.

Against all odds ... Palm Beach State Attorney **David Aronberg** served in the Florida Legislature and is reputed to be considering a run for Congress against freshman Republican Brian Mast. He's a lifelong Democrat. A little more than two years ago he married **Lynn Martin**, a former Miami Dolphins cheerleader working in public relations. She's a Republican and a committed Trump supporter. She even named her dog Ivanka.

Early this year, she filed for divorce. The grounds: She wants to have a baby but says he



David Aronberg and Lynn Martin in happier days. Photo by Mike Jachles

doesn't; and he wouldn't stand up for her when his Democratic friends criticized her.

Meanwhile, as the case plods through the courts, Lynn, a Boca Raton resident, is still in action, managing her own public relations business and Palm Beach Book Club, and hooking up with TransMedia Group, a large Boca PR firm and talent and modeling agency.

TransMedia chief **Tom Madden**, who first hired her years ago for his New York agency, plans to send her on an exploratory trip to Israel and said he might publish a book by Lynn titled *I Make a Great Ex-Wife*.

Hadn't heard much from pizza whiz **Dak Kerprich** since he sold Jerk-O, formerly Pizzeria Oceano, in Lantana to **Jeremy and Cindy Bearman** last February. They changed the name to Oceano Kitchen, added a canvas awning over the open-air dining deck and tweaked the menu.

Kerprich disappeared, allegedly in search of another atypical spot in Lake Worth or West Palm.

In early August, in true Kerprich style, he resurfaced — at Zapata Mexican Rotisserie on

North Dixie in Lake Worth. But only on Mondays and only for a month.

The menu was typical Kerprich — shellfish here, duck there, exotic salads, typical of the oddities for which he became famous in Lantana.

But Zapata is just temporary. "We are looking at a few spots on South Dixie in West Palm and in Northwood," Kerprich confessed. "You know me. I don't like new construction. The next space has to have character, and a good story behind it always helps." Stay tuned.

Speaking of chefs, **Eau Palm Beach** has a new boss in the kitchen. Like many veterans in the resort dining business, Executive Chef **David Viviano** is well-traveled, coming to Manalapan from Montage Kapalua Bay on Maui after an award-winning stint at the St. Regis Aspen Resort & Spa, where he claimed gold in the 2014 Aspen Mac & Cheese Festival.

In his 20-year career he also has seen action at Westin and Ritz-Carlton hotels and at such high-end standalones as Jardiniere in San Francisco.



Viviano

Before finding his way to the kitchen, Viviano, a Michigan native, took an ill-considered diversion, taking a college degree at Miami of Ohio in, of all things, journalism. He still enjoys writing but realized his true calling was as a chef.

At Eau, however, he will have to make at least one sacrifice. He enjoys surfing, and with rare exception, Florida's East Coast can't match Maui.

Across the bridge from Eau Palm Beach, prospects for another restaurant taking over the space at 210 E. Ocean

have dimmed. Paesano, the last venture, closed in 2016. Lantana resident **Morris Costigan**, who owns O'Shea's Irish Pub on Clematis Street, made a pitch to the Lantana Town Council in July for a European-American bistro, but he said he was unable to reach agreement with property owner Small Corp. of Palm Beach.

A few miles south in Delray Beach, new exec chef **Blair Wilson** has already redone the menu at Max's Harvest, adding such dishes as buffalo alligator (miso buttermilk, 'nduja hot sauce, blue cheese), tuna-wrapped oysters and charred cauliflower with feta cheese, aji amarillo, golden raisins and capers. And those are just the starters. Main dishes include vermilion snapper (jasmine rice, sorrel, pickled chile, shogun vinaigrette) and a bone marrow burger with aged cheddar, cherry pepper aioli, bread and butter pickles and malted fries.

After serving as executive chef at The Social Club in Miami Beach, the Virginia native was looking for a small-town atmosphere where he could celebrate the best local ingredients.

A couple of blocks away, **Smoke**, the upscale barbecue spot just east of Swinton, has been shuttered after only three years. Owners **Scott Kennedy** and **Stephen Chin** cited rising rent and expenses, but they hope to resurface somewhere in Delray Beach soon. Meanwhile, any loyal customers can head south to Fort Lauderdale, where Smoke BBQ offers a more traditional barbecue spot near Galt Ocean Mile.

The time has come... Sometime in the new year, **32 East**, the granddaddy of Atlantic Avenue's signature restaurants, will close after two decades. The buyer is Big Time Restaurant Group, a West Palm Beach-

based multi-concept operation with footprints all over South Florida, from West Palm Beach to Miami. 32 East will give way to Big Time's newest venture, **Louie Bossi's**, which is billed as high-energy, handmade Italian. Other Big Time spots in Delray include Rocco's Tacos and City Oyster.

But regardless if Delray Beach is ready for a restaurant with a bocci court, as is the case at Bossi's in Boca Raton, 32 East founder Butch Johnson, who's been on the avenue since 1996, is ready to go.

"A lot of people are sad," said Johnson, "but it's not the same town.

"Delray is going to be dominated by high-volume restaurants. They're going to put a lot of money into renovating this place."

While Johnson and Big Time boss Todd Herbst have agreed in principle, the deal still faces legal and logistical hurdles. Johnson expects chef John Thomas and the veteran staff will remain in action for several months.

"We'll probably have little farewell parties during the last months," Johnson said. "We'll bring back old bartenders, have a Nick Morfogen night (with the original executive chef, now at Pine Tree Golf Club in Boynton Beach). We'll say goodbye the right way."

Since Johnson owns the building that houses 32 East, he'll still collect a tidy rent check, but he has no intention of leaving the business: "I'm looking around for another city with a CRA [community redevelopment agency] that would like to expand its profile."



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Dining

Happy hour? We were ecstatic

The Plate: Risotto Fritters

The Place: Banyan Restaurant and Bar, 189 NE Second Ave., Delray Beach; 563-8871 or www.banyandelray.com.

The Price: \$6 from 4 to 7 p.m. daily at the bar and high-tops; \$10 on a regular menu.

The Skinny: Our happy hour gang has spent the summer checking out a different place each week. Our visit to Banyan was a happy one, with plentiful drinks and appetizers.

The Plate

These Risotto Fritters essentially are balls of a lightly fried spinach, herb and saffron risotto with parmesan cheese.

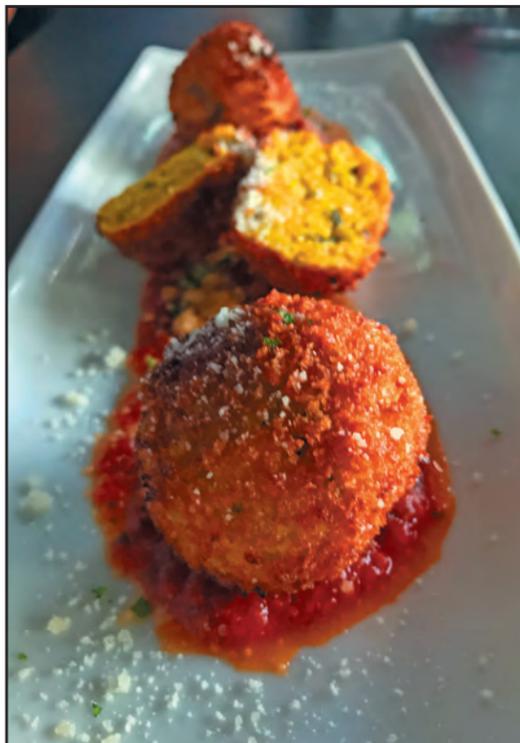
They were light, with a crispy crust and served with a slightly piquant marinara.

Good eating.

Also nice: the duck spring rolls, which were packed with savory bits of duck.

And not to be missed — the wonderful singer who serenaded us the night we were there with classics of the Great American Songbook.

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Artist Carlos Luna gives his take on life, creativity and inspiration, as revealed in his line art pieces on display at the Boca Museum of Art

By Gretel Sarmiento
ArtsPaper Art Writer

Carlos Luna is the kind of artist who gets approval by not needing it in the first place. He speaks frankly, with the same boldness and assertiveness of his lines. But it is what lies beneath them that drives *Deep Line Drawings*, an exhibit of about 60 recent works on view through Dec. 31 at the Boca Raton Museum of Art.

They are not harmonious, quiet landscapes one contemplates while holding a glass of wine. Refined doesn't come to mind either. But they are undoubtedly the product of a highly skilled set of hands and a well-employed mind that, despite always being hard at work, retains its childhood vigor. Conceived in a highly inventive style that borrows from many influences including cubism, Afro-Cuban and indigenous, his distinctive figures narrate the less distinctive and relatable experience we all share from the minute we are born: life.



Luna

His characters, among which are roosters, horses and *campesinos* (farmers), have fun giving us their take. A horse sticks out his tongue even while being watched by an army of vigilant eyes. In a spot nobody ever notices, even there, Luna leaves a fun, simple mark packed with meaning. His signature closes with a drawing of a small moon (*luna* translates in Spanish as moon) followed by three small horizontal lines. The moon is his wife, Claudia, followed by their three children, Camila, Carlos and Cristobal.



ABOVE LEFT: *Round Plate* (2015), ceramic. ABOVE: *Vocesss (Voicesss)* (2017), gouache and charcoal on amate paper. Photos courtesy Carlos Luna

Luna refers to his wife as Mama Luna (Mother Moon) and explains his process involves the whole family, a dynamic he likens to "giving birth."

The 48-year-old Cuban artist recently set aside time, from the

precious daylight hours he prefers to work, to speak with *ArtsPaper* about his process and why he rejects the idea of a muse.

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Music

Black Crowes' Chris Robinson flies with a different flock now



Chris Robinson. Photo by Jay Blakesberg

By Bill Meredith
ArtsPaper Music Writer

Any conversation with Chris Robinson, the former frontman for Atlanta-spawned rock sensation the Black Crowes and leader of the Chris Robinson Brotherhood since 2011, can easily turn into entertaining stream-of-consciousness commentary, musical and otherwise.

The 50-year-old singer/songwriter, guitarist and harmonica player brings the CRB (rounded out by guitarist/

vocalist Neal Casal, keyboardist/vocalist Adam MacDougall, bassist/vocalist Jeff Hill and drummer Tony Leone) into the Pompano Beach Amphitheater on Sept. 7 to open for fellow Atlanta blues-based psychedelic rockers Blackberry Smoke.

Robinson spoke by phone before a CRB headlining show at Rams Head On Stage in Annapolis, Md., on Aug. 13. The band's scheduled concert at the Jefferson Theatre in Charlottesville, Va., on Aug. 12 had just been postponed because of the violence and loss of lives

that resulted from the disastrous white supremacist march through that city.

"Unbelievable," he says. "Well, not really unbelievable, actually. That it was the biggest event like that in decades is the staggering thing. We were staying on the outskirts of the city, so we weren't affected directly, but it was such a bumner all around. We've rescheduled that show for October."

The CRB appears in Pompano Beach a month into its latest tour in support of its fifth studio

CD, the 2017 release *Barefoot in the Head*.

The group's recording on the small Silver Arrow Records label, and appearing at mid-sized theaters and amphitheatres, is a contrast to the early-1990s, major label success of the Black Crowes — the often-infighting 1989-2015 juggernaut Robinson formed with younger brother and guitarist Rich Robinson. But the older brother sounds more comfortable and — to borrow a

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LUNA

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He is not one to rest on his laurels. He is proud and poetic, and when he says that he could have found other vessels, such as literature, to express himself, one finds it a very plausible possibility for which it is clearly not too late, in his case. The Miami resident turns soft when talking about his family, especially as he explains that it has been a long time since he last saw his parents because they live in Cuba, where he is still not welcome.

He is not unique in jumping, as other artists, to defend his intentions and message against what he perceives to be wrong conclusions. During the hourlong interview, he set the record straight more than once and in more than one way.

Why the title *Deep Line Drawings*?

My work has always been identified for drawings that are well defined. I wanted to talk about what's beneath the apparent image one sees. My line is deep. My line is incisive. I'm inviting the spectator to see what's beneath, what's under the skin of my work with regard to the line and the variety of technical resources I employ to express.

Most of the works on view were created specifically for this exhibit. Did it influence you in any way knowing the public that would be viewing them is predominantly Anglo-Saxon?

I was proudly born in Cuba, raised and developed in Mexico. I consider myself an individual who talks a universal language for every citizen of planet Earth. I leave the language open so that everyone can relate to the works, from the content to the colors to the forms. I respect the public but at the same time, I'm not interested in a work that is partial to any specific population. My public is everyone on Earth.

That sounds great. I mean, not all artists can escape that or are brave enough.

I appreciate that but it is a choice I made a long time ago. My work process is introverted and one during which I'm constantly piercing the soul. My technical processes are slow and I'm constantly perfecting them. It's a process through which I am rethinking who I am, how I see the world. I am not preoccupied with trends or movements, but with my own persona. I am concerned with my humanity.

The works I saw are busy, intense, and yet they almost come across as caricatures. One may not take them seriously initially, but they trick you. How much of your life is in them?

A man without a past is a man without a future. The past is in the past but I constantly turn to it to learn, while walking forward. Inevitably, there is a radial point. I was born in the countryside and was raised by two extraordinary women, my grandmothers. They shaped much of who I am today. I paint animals because they were all around me growing up. The things I paint are rooted in my daily routine as a child. When I say I speak from a more universal language is because I don't pretend to yell that I am Cuban. I am already that. People can either see it or not. ... I prefer to present my ideas, once fully developed, wrapped in a smile, through humor. If one perceives the work as caricature, grotesque, ironic, that's up to each viewer.

A work of art that doesn't make the spectator pause or think, it's not a true work of art to me.

How important was education as a foundation to your artistic career?

I first received academic training through a friend of my grandmother, who first noticed my artistic ability. I studied at the School of Visual Arts in Pinar del Río, followed by the San Alejandro Academy. Later, I went to the National School of the Arts before moving on to the Instituto Superior de Arte (Visual Arts College).

However, none of that makes you an artist. All study is significant, but doesn't define whether one will have a career. It's a personal, individual decision. In every person, there are innate abilities. To the extent that we are aware of them, we decide to pursue them all the way or not.

Life has been my best school, daily life. My



El Oraculo (The Oracle) (2017), gouache and charcoal on amate paper. Photo courtesy Carlos Luna

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teachers — alive and dead — my wife, my kids, my parents, my grandparents. My academic training in Cuba was important, but it was just a part of it. Study teaches discipline, but one has to have certain definitions already in place.

There was definitely something innate in you before you set foot in school.

I found in the visual arts the most enjoyable way to express myself. I could have expressed it in other ways: acting, music, literature, math, medicine. What was innate in me was the desire to express who I am, how I see the world.

Did you ever doubt your decision to embark in this journey, this path?

Many times. You wonder what others think, what the teacher thinks, the critics. I have doubted many times if what I am doing is what I have to do. It's part of our human condition.

Is there a ritual involved in your creative process? A favorite song you like to play? A time of day you prefer?

I like to work while there is daylight and to be synchronized with my family and friends. ... I like to run on the same schedule as other people. I do listen to music 24 hours. I engage in dialogues because I'm constantly creating with my wife and my kids.

Would it be fair to say that your muse is the outside world?

I want to be clear. To me, muse doesn't exist. If it exists, it will have to find me here working. I don't believe in evasive mental states and waiting for a spark. I respect if it is others' method, but that is not my case. I believe in the discipline of my daily life, my insistence and persistence for investigating aesthetic, emotional, spiritual concerns. While working on them, things emerge and it is up to me to decide what to do with them. To me, the muse is an excuse for not working and having someone else support you.

How do you prefer to be identified? As a Cuban, an artist, or simply a human being?

I've never been interested in defining that. I like challenges. My grandmothers taught me to be a curious individual. Branding myself has never interested me. Let me put it to you another way: The mockingbird is known for imitating the songs of other birds. His own song comes from his ability of combining all those other songs. I think my work somewhat resembles the song of the mockingbird. Its sophistication of owning the other songs, making them his own, is a new quality.

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Patricia Nix, *Rococo for Cockatoo*, 2017. Mixed media. Courtesy of the artist.



Theater

Charles Busch comes to Dramaworks in one-man (and a few women) show

By Hap Erstein
ArtsPaper Theater Writer

For almost 40 years, Charles Busch has been performing in his own plays, usually campy comedies based on vintage movies, with such provocative titles as *Vampire Lesbians of Sodom*, *Psycho Beach Party* and *Die Mommie Die*.

He usually writes himself in as the central female character, playing in drag with winking homage to Joan Crawford, Bette Davis, Kate Hepburn and other iconic stars of the silver screen.

In his own inimitable way, Busch, too, has become an icon — of the gay community. So it is entirely fitting that he comes to Palm Beach Dramaworks on Sept. 16, with his one-man — and occasionally woman — cabaret, kicking off the theater's OutStage series, designed for area LGBTQ theatergoers.

Busch, now 63, the Tony

Award-nominated playwright of 2000's *The Tale of the Allergist's Wife* and recipient of a Drama Desk Award for career achievement, began his climb by spinning gay-centric monologues on tiny regional stages across the country.

"The weird thing is that I've kind of come full circle. Traveling about, performing at nonprofit theaters. After all these years, I'm kind of back to square one a bit," he says by phone from his New York apartment. "What makes a big difference is I play nicer venues and now I travel with Tom Judson, my musical director / accompanist / singing partner."

Encouraged by the careers of such drag performers as Charles Pierce and Charles Ludlam, Busch set his sights on making a living with his wit and talent. And he never gave up that dream.

"I had an insane kind of confidence in myself. I never



Charles Busch in character as one of his many female characters. Photo contributed

questioned ever that I would have a career. And yet, it was very odd, I never really thought of the big picture," he says. "Yes, I had incredible drive, and luck factors in."

The show he will be bringing to Palm Beach Dramaworks, called simply *An Evening With Charles Busch*, is a cabaret act of songs, monologues and

If You Go

See *An Evening With Charles Busch* at 8 p.m. Sept. 16 at Palm Beach Dramaworks, 201 Clematis St., West Palm Beach (\$75, 514-4042).

do 'Rainbow Connection.' At first I thought, 'Oh, that's a silly Muppet song,' but it's a very beautiful song. It's so much about hope and the need to dredge up hope within yourself. It certainly seems important to have that nowadays."

Busch has performed his cabaret act in 25 cities and four countries. But this unexpected side career has not taken away from his playwriting.

"I have two plays that I'm working on. One is in the 'Allergist's Wife' mold, called 'Visitors in the Dark.' We had a very starry reading of it with Linda Lavin, Rosie O'Donnell and Andrea Martin. We'll see what happens with that.

"Then I have a new little vehicle that we're going to do in the spring. It sounds kind of dotty, but I can write these pastiche pieces so quickly," he says.

"I'm sort of two different playwrights in a way."

personal confessions.

"I've always sung a bit in different shows, but not so concentrated as this," he says. "And Tom [Judson] keeps challenging me with more complicated material. We're singing Sondheim and Kurt Weill, not easy stuff."

He chooses musical material for its personal resonance, or "something that connects to me emotionally through a narrative. Often I tell a personal anecdote that then can lead into a song."

Asked if he has a signature song, Busch responds, "Tom suggested a while back that we

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Crowes phrase — wiser for the time.

"I have an opportunity now, with this band, that I didn't have with the Black Crowes," Robinson says. "Everything then happened so fast, and so much actually happened to us when I was younger, and my perceptions were a bit different. Now, I'm in a lot of places where I didn't used to have time to meet people on a night off. ... For the ordinary troubadour in the modern world, I can still hang my hat on how love and the human spirit will always overcome the kinds of cultural, spiritual and physical pain we've seen recently."

Based in Marin County, Calif., for three years and in California since 1991, Robinson's current band more reflects its spiritual leader's wide range of tastes and influences. As with the Crowes, his expressive voice and range are steeped, in part, in Southern soul, gospel, blues and rock.

"Rich and I grew up around a father [Stan Robinson] who was a folk singer on ABC-Paramount Records," Robinson says, "Music wasn't just on the record player or car radio, it was actually alive around us. Plus, being from the Deep South, we grew up around, for lack of a better term, African-American magic and mysticism. And that manifested itself in influential soul, rhythm and humor."

Unlike the Crowes, the CRB also adds the Grateful Dead-like jam band elements of one of Robinson's heroes, Jerry Garcia, guided by the elastic rhythms of Hill and Leone, who also shine on the country leanings of certain *Barefoot in the Head* tracks. Casal is the simpatico songwriting foil that Rich Robinson often was not. And MacDougall's vintage electric pianos, organs and synthesizers



The Chris Robinson Brotherhood, from left: Jeff Hill, Neal Casal, Adam MacDougall, Tony Leone and Chris Robinson. Photo by Jay Blakesberg

If You Go

See the *Chris Robinson Brotherhood* and *Blackberry Smoke* at 7 p.m. Sept. 7 at the Pompano Beach Amphitheater, 1806 N.E. Sixth St., Pompano Beach. (\$29.50-\$39.50, 954-519-5500).

add funk sound effects a la Bernie Worrell of Parliament/Funkadelic. The result is a very flexible quintet that achieves its suppleness through chemistry.

"It's Tony's third year in the band now and Jeff's second," Robinson says. "We play more than a hundred shows a year, at three hours per show. So that's more than 3,000 hours of playing together, and that doesn't even include sound checks, sessions and rehearsals."

"Chris is a rare and gifted frontman," says guitarist Derek Trucks, "and an encyclopedia of '60s and '70s rock, funk and jazz."

Much has changed for Robinson since he decided to go west during the Crowes' heyday. But his knowledge of music history has only deepened, and he hasn't forgotten under-recognized musical roots from the '70s to the '90s.

Being on major recording labels like Columbia and Def American meant that the Black

Crowes dealt with very different expectations, at a much younger age, within a very different music industry, in the 1990s.

"The Black Crowes was a rock band that certainly knew how to rock," Robinson says, "but it didn't necessarily know how to swing. Plus, now I'm in a band that has an audience that isn't demanding of a show biz trip. Not having hit records, and probably not having them in the future the way the world works now, gives us an amazing opportunity to be like a new band every year."

With Rich Robinson firmly ensconced in his 10-piece rock band the Magpie Salute (which plays at Revolution Live in Fort Lauderdale next month), it appears that one of the groups that defined '90s rock may now be permanently flightless.

"We were a blues-based rock band that had a hard time rolling," says Robinson. "This band is a completely different architecture, with a poetic construct of stories and images. Black Crowes fans don't seem to like this band as much, since there isn't as much rock, angst or tension. This band is more indebted to the concert scene in California, where it's rock music with country, jazz and funk undertones. It's more of a kick off your shoes and dance theme."



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Reviews

Classic and new ballet; a third 'Trip'; and a challenging look at scientific ethics

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Boca Ballet Theatre (Aug. 6, Spanish River High School, Boca Raton)

Boca Ballet Theatre's annual summer recital was presented in two programs, in which the company was joined by two Miami City Ballet corps members and presented works by George Balanchine and David Parsons, a world premiere by a company alum, and a homegrown repertory piece.

Dan Guin and Jane Tyree's troupe focuses for the most part on ballet, which is why it was exceptional to see it open its program with a work of modern dance, Parsons' *The Envelope*, a work from 1985 set to various pieces by Rossini. This is a whimsical work, with the dancers in black costume moving in Howell Binkley's shadowy lighting as an envelope is carried, examined and then tossed into the wings, only to be tossed back in again.

The Boca Ballet dancers matched the manic energy of Parsons' choreography admirably, and had clearly been well-drilled by Parsons répétiteur Jaime Martinez. It was a smart, sharp way to start off a program.

Up next was the first of two world premieres: *Summer Waves*, a three-part ballet choreographed by the young Sanjay Saverimuttu, a Boca native who danced for this company for years and now dances for Louisville Ballet. Saverimuttu's work, set to British composer Max Richter's reimagining of "Summer" from Vivaldi's *Four Seasons*, featured a number of elegant balletic poses, lovely couples work by Brittany Bonefas and Jorge



Kleber Rebello and Jennifer Lauren in George Balanchine's *La Source* at Boca Ballet Theatre. Photo by Denise Thompson

Urbina, and a dark finale.

Jennifer Lauren and Kleber Rebello are among the better-known MCB dancers, and they were the focus of the next work, Balanchine's *La Source*, set to music by the 19th century Frenchman Léo Delibes. Here, the company was coached by Diana White of the Balanchine Trust.

Lauren and Rebello made an ideal couple, easeful and familiar with each other; in their solo variations Lauren was precise and wonderfully limber, and Rebello projected joy and virility. Bonefas also danced impressively as the other female lead, and the eight girls in the corps gracefully enlarged the ballet's feeling of delicate beauty.

The program's second

half was devoted to Guin's *Graduation Ball*, a delightful piece set to the music of Johann Strauss II.

This was a hefty and satisfying afternoon in which this company showed range and depth of talent while keeping the pure entertainment value impressively high.

— Greg Stepanich

The Trip to Spain (opened Aug. 25)

By now, you should know what to expect from Michael Winterbottom's *Trip* franchise — namely the consumption of rapier repartee and haute cuisine in privileged places, 86ing the suspense, romance and action that provide structure to most entertainment product.

For three television series turned films, the director has sent versions of his convivial, real-life stars, Steve Coogan and Rob Brydon, to northern England, then Italy and now Spain, ostensibly to review restaurants and promote their latest ventures, but really to chat about life and showbiz. The scripts overflow with the duo's trove of high and low cultural references, some you'll get, others you won't. The series is as niche-y and targeted as the Tyler Perry films; you could say it plays to its base.

The Trip to Spain doesn't deviate much from the successful formula of its predecessors, but its experimental detours are striking. On the familiar front, we're treated to an expectedly hilarious handful of Coogan and Brydon's dueling impressions, from Mick Jagger to David Bowie to John Hurt, with Robert De Niro, Woody Allen and Michael Caine thrown in like greatest hits at the end of a singer's set list.

But the food, a central element in the previous *Trips*, recedes into the periphery as its travelers amble deeper into the mountainous enclaves and sun-dappled cathedrals of Aragon, Rioja and Andalusia, among other vivifying regions. This is also the only *Trip* film that ends on an dramatic cliffhanger.

Most substantively, there's more character development sprinkled among and between the duo's sportive dialogues. Coogan learns that his longtime U.S. agent has departed the firm, and has not asked Steve to join his new company. Meanwhile, his script for a prestigious bit of awards bait called *Missing* has been handed off to an "up and coming" writer for some

"polishing." "But I've up and come!" Coogan retorts, in full-on Larry David bluster.

The Trip to Spain is an interior journey as much an external one, subtly accumulating dramatic weight, as any evolving franchise should. — Palm Beach ArtsPaper Staff

Informed Consent (GableStage, Coral Gables, closed Aug. 27)

The recent rise of science deniers makes *Informed Consent* — the latest densely packed, morally ambiguous drama by Deborah Zoe Lauffer — particularly timely, while its core conflict between scientific truth and cultural beliefs gives the play a timeless quality.

Lauffer, whose work has been championed by Louis Tyrrell, often tackles weighty social issues and frames them in starkly human terms. So it is with this tale of a genetic anthropologist named Jillian, so certain of the importance of her research that she tramples on the dignity and spiritual tenets of her Native American subjects.

Informed Consent is a fictional account of an actual ethical — and legal — battle between the Havasupai tribe, who live at the base of the Grand Canyon, and Arizona State University. Commissioned to study the tribe and explore its predisposition to diabetes, Jillian manages to persuade its council to allow the donation of blood samples, a serious intrusion according to their religious beliefs. Worse yet, without authorization Jillian uses the samples to test for the tribe's likelihood of developing Alzheimer's disease.

Sifting through the emotionally charged specifics of the case could well have bogged down the play in medical jargon and legalese. But the compelling production at GableStage presented these issues clearly while whipsawing the audience's sympathies.

Betsy Graver played Jillian, a source of audience empathy, but also worthy of censure as she oversteps the ethical bounds and protocols of her research.

Also impressive in her GableStage debut was Francisca Munoz as Jillian's wide-eyed innocent daughter Natalie and her tribal liaison Arelia, a force of dignity and pride. In support were Jovon Jacobs as Jillian's husband, Graham, as gentle and level-headed as she is strident; Carlos Orizondo as the sociologist who gets Jillian involved in the diabetes study and Elizabeth Dimon as stern university Dean Hagan.

Lauffer packs a lot of information about genetics in 95 minutes, asking questions about the limits of our quest for knowledge — questions for us to grapple with and take away from this heady, yet entertaining play.

— Hap Erstein

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Theater

Playwright Michael McKeever may be in his third act, but he's just getting started

By Hap Erstein
ArtsPaper Theater Writer

It is rare that the name Michael McKeever comes up without the adjective “prolific” attached to it. In the 21 years since the Davie playwright’s work was first produced in South Florida, he has written 27 full-length plays and countless short plays, probably between 20 and 24 by his offhanded estimate.

Because he enjoys performing, McKeever often appears in his own plays (*After, Clark Gable Slept Here*) or those of others (*The Timekeepers, The Normal Heart*). And harkening back to a former career as an art director, he frequently designs his stage sets and posters.

If sleep has to be sacrificed to fit all this into the day, so be it. “So now, in the past five years or so, when I’m writing I’ll wake up at 4 or 5 o’clock, make my coffee, come out here,” to his spacious home office, “and write. It’s that quiet time of the morning. I’ll write sometimes from 5 to noon. Sometimes, when it’s going well, I can write the whole day.”

McKeever is, after all, on a roll. This spring, soon after he won a best new work Carbonell Award — his seventh — for the school violence drama *After*, his gay marriage play *Daniel’s Husband* opened to acclaim off-Broadway at the Cherry Lane Theatre. In July, he premiered an art history comedy, *Finding Mona Lisa*, at Actors’ Playhouse to the approval of reviewers and audiences alike.

In late November, he unveils *The Camp*, a look at a Nazi

concentration camp soon after World War II, at Boca Raton’s Jewish Community Center, followed in the late spring by yet another new play, *Mr. Parker*, at gay-themed Island City Stage in Wilton Manors.

McKeever is unfazed by such an abundant output. “Here’s the thing. Because that’s what I do — knock on wood — I’m blessed,” he says. “I don’t have a full-time job outside of the theater. This is how I make my money. And it’s all things I love to do, so to me it’s not work. If it ever becomes work, I’ll go itchy about it.”

Still, having so many world premieres in such a short time is remarkable. He manages it because he has gained the trust of area theaters by always delivering a quality script on deadline. They commit to a slot in their season for him based on just a one- or two-sentence pitch of what he has in mind.

The right 'Stuff'

The now-defunct Caldwell Theatre debuted his 2011 history-based *Stuff*, about the hoarding Collyer brothers of Harlem; it was the first play by McKeever to be added to a season lineup before it was written.

“That was a pitch to Clive [Cholerton, the Caldwell’s artistic director] and he went, ‘OK, done,’” recalls McKeever. “I wrote Act One. It was maybe three weeks before rehearsals were to begin and Act Two wasn’t written, but Clive was unbelievably patient and it all worked out.”

McKeever has made more than a few directors and casts

nervous about when a new script will arrive, but as a matter of personal pride, he says, “I have never not delivered. The first draft may not be good, but it’s there.”

Take *After*, which he pitched to Zoetic Stage and its artistic director, Stuart Meltzer, who happens to be McKeever’s partner of 14 years and now his husband.

The pitch? “What happens to families after a school shooting? The victims, the shooter, what happens to those people after all the news cameras go home and everyone stops talking about it?”

The play is typical of McKeever’s later works, which have grown increasingly darker and more dramatic, but still with some of his signature humor.

“*After* was written in three parts — before, during and after — three separate scenes,” explains McKeever. “But even when the third act was done, on the page, the actors read it and it just wasn’t right. So I went back and I rewrote it. I took two steps backwards and that was way wrong. So I took another shot at it, the third time was still not right. Then I took all the best elements of those versions, put it in the final version and that was it.”

Success is a remarkable confidence builder. “I’m not burdened by the insecurities that I had to carry when I was 30 years old and writing my first plays,” McKeever notes. “If something doesn’t work, I know that I’ll be able to adjust things.”

'Husband' material

McKeever points to *Daniel’s*



Michael McKeever sands next to a painting of *The Poseidon Adventure*, his favorite film. Hap Erstein / Palm Beach ArtsPaper

Husband — yet another Carbonell-winning script — as the play that was the easiest to write, perhaps because he considers it his most autobiographical.

“The central argument of *Daniel’s Husband* is a fight that Stuart and I have been having in the 14 years we’ve been together,” McKeever says. “I’ve never believed in gay marriage. I thought it was antiquated, something to try to assimilate ourselves. There was nothing that Stuart and I had that would be changed by marriage, I felt. Yeah, *Daniel’s Husband* pretty much wrote itself.”

It is also the play that could mean a quantum leap for McKeever’s career. The visibility of its success in New York has already meant increased attention for the rest of his library of scripts, and an added commercial run in New York looms as a possibility.

By now, as McKeever conceives a play, he knows exactly which area theater it is best suited.

He has pegged Palm Beach Dramaworks as leaning toward

more thoughtful plays with more conventional storytelling; FAU Theatre Lab as drawn to more offbeat fare, perhaps with a political component; and Island City Stage for his gay plays — like *Mr. Parker*, set for June of next year. It concerns a May-December relationship and the changing face of contemporary dating.

“I’m 55 now, but it occurred to me the world has changed so much since I was single,” McKeever says. “I don’t know if I could be single anymore. I wouldn’t know how to do it. Everything’s different now.”

Now that he is receiving more production across the country and the European royalties arrive regularly, McKeever could slow down.

But don’t expect that to happen anytime soon. “Because I love doing it. I’m so lucky, I have a gig I love and I can keep doing it into my 80s or 90s,” he says.

“The older I get, the more I have to say. The more I’ve learned, the darker my feelings are. And I’m comfortable putting them on paper.”

Arts Calendar

Note: Events are listed through Oct. 5 and were current as of Aug. 24. Please check with the presenting agency for any changes. Ticket prices are single sales. Most of the presenting organizations offer subscription plans.

ART EXHIBITS

Armory Art Center: Through Oct. 14: *New and Now: Work by New Faculty*, works by recent additions to the teaching staff. Open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. Free admission. Call 832-1776 or visit www.armoryart.org.

Boca Raton Museum of Art: Through Oct. 22: *Patricia Nix: American Baroque*, works by the Palm Beach-based American surrealist; *Photography from the Bequest of Isadore and Kelly Friedman*, images by major lens artists including Edward Steichen and W. Eugene Smith; through Dec. 31: *Deep Line Drawings by Carlos Luna*, works on amate paper by the Cuban artist, now resident in Miami, through Dec. 31; Admission: \$12. Hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. first Wednesday of the month; 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Closed Mondays and holidays. Call 392-2500, or visit www.bocamuseum.org.

Cultural Council of Palm Beach County: Through Sept. 2: *Cultural Council Biennial*, a show of works by Palm Beach County artists age 18 and up, juried by Jennifer Inacio of the Perez Art Museum in Miami. Opens Sept. 15: *Made in Palm Beach Gardens*, works by 14 artists who call the northern Palm Beach County city home; through Nov. 18. Galleries at the council offices in Lake Worth are open from 10 a.m. to 5

p.m. Tuesday through Saturday; free admission. Call 471-2901 or visit palmbeachculture.com.

Lighthouse ArtCenter: Opens Sept. 5: *Faculty, Ceramics and 3-D Exhibition*, new works by faculty members at the Tequesta art gallery and school, through Oct. 28. Admission: \$10 for adults, \$5 for students over 12. 10 am to 4 pm. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Call 746-3101 or visit www.lighthousearts.org.

Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens: Through Sept. 17: *Building a Legacy: Gifts from the Mary Griggs Burke Collection*, 60 Japanese artworks from a longtime Morikami benefactor to celebrate the museum’s 40th anniversary. Museum tickets: \$15, \$13 for seniors, \$9 for children and college students. Open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Sundays. Call 495-0233 or visit www.morikami.org.

Norton Museum of Art: Opens Sept. 5: *Earthworks: Mapping the Anthropocene*, 22 photos by Justin Brice Guariglia documenting the human impact on Greenland; *Julie Mehretu: Epigraph, Damascus*, a six-panel print by the Ethiopian-born American artist featuring deconstructed architectural drawings of the Syrian capital; both through Jan. 7. Admission to the Norton is free through 2018 as the museum undergoes extensive renovation and expansion. For more information, call 832-5196 or visit www.norton.org.

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Sunday, Sept. 17
Con Brio String Quartet: The South Florida-based string quartet formed at Lynn University, and opens the 30th season of the Music at St. Paul’s series at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church in Delray Beach. On the program: Brahms’ String Quartet No. 1 (in C minor, Op. 51, No. 1), the

String Quartet No. 1 of Alberto Ginastera, and Astor Piazzolla’s *Tango Ballet*. 3 pm, with pre-concert talk by church music director Paul Cienniwa at 2:30 pm. Tickets: \$20. Visit music.stpaulsdelray.org for more information.

Saturday, Sept. 23-Sunday, Sept. 24
Lynn Philharmonia: The student conservatory orchestra under Guillermo Figueroa opens the season with violinist Elmar Oliveira in the Violin Concerto of the contemporary American composer Richard Sortomme. Also on the program is the Symphony No. 88 of Haydn and excerpts from Tchaikovsky’s score for the ballet *Swan Lake*. 7:30 pm Saturday, 4 pm Sunday, Wold Performing Arts Center, Lynn University, Boca Raton. Tickets: \$35-\$50. Call 237-9000 or visit lynn.edu/events.

FILM

Friday, Sept. 15
Polina: In Valerie Müller’s 2016 drama, a young Russian dancer is all set to join the Bolshoi when she discovers modern dance and throws it all off for a new artistic direction in France. With Anastasia Shevtsova and Juliette Binoche. In Russian and French. Living Room Theaters, Boca Raton. Call 549-2600 or visit faulivingroomtheaters.com.

Friday, Sept. 22
School Life: A Sundance-celebrated documentary about John and Amanda Leyden, two teachers who run the only primary-age boarding school in Ireland, and their students. Living Room Theaters, Boca Raton. Call 549-2600 or visit faulivingroomtheaters.com.

JAZZ

Sunday, Sept. 17
Jared Hall Quintet: The jazz trumpeter, winner of two prestigious awards for his playing, has

worked with a who’s who of jazz greats. 7 pm. Tickets: \$20 and up. Arts Garage, Delray Beach. Call 450-6357 or visit www.artsgarage.org.

Saturday, Sept. 23
Alex Brown Quartet: The Grammy-nominated pianist and composer regularly plays for Paquito D’Rivera’s ensemble and has released acclaimed albums of his own. 8 pm. Tickets: \$30 and up. Arts Garage, Delray Beach. Call 450-6357 or visit www.artsgarage.org

POPULAR MUSIC

Sunday, Sept. 3
Green Day: The Bay Area power punk trio entered the Rock Hall of Fame in 2015; its appearance here is part of its Revolution Radio tour and includes Catfish and the Bottlemen as special guests. 7 pm, Coral Sky Amphitheatre, West Palm Beach. Tickets start at \$27. Call 795-8883 or visit livenation.com.

Wednesday, Sept. 13
Tove Lo: The Swedish singer-songwriter has won Grammys in her homeland and appears here to promote her second album, *Lady Wood*. At Revolution Live, Fort Lauderdale. 7 pm. Tickets: \$25-\$27. Visit www.jointherevolution.net.

Friday, Sept. 15
Brad Paisley: When he’s not slumming for Nationwide Insurance, Paisley remains one of country music’s finest and most admired performers. Special guests on his Weekend Warrior World Tour include Chase Bryant, Dustin Lynch and Lindsay Ell. 7 pm, Coral Sky Amphitheatre, West Palm Beach. Tickets start at \$20. Call 795-8883 or visit livenation.com.

Sunday, Sept. 17
Melvins: The veteran Seattle-area metal trio was a huge influence on the grunge bands of the 1990s. 7:30 pm, Culture Room, Fort Lauderdale.

Tickets: \$20. Visit www.cultureroom.net or ticketmaster.com for tickets.

Friday, Sept. 22-Saturday, Sept. 23
Zac Brown Band: The popular Atlanta country septet is touring in support of its latest release, *Welcome Home*. Two shows, with special guests Darrell Scott and Caroline Jones. 7 pm, Coral Sky Amphitheatre, West Palm Beach. Tickets start at \$21. Call 795-8883 or visit livenation.com.

THEATER

Opens Sept. 1
Saturday Night Fever: Nan Knighton and Robert Stigwood’s stage adaptation of the classic 1975 disco-era film about dancer wannabe Tony Manero, complete with soundtrack by the Bee Gees. Through Oct. 15 at Broward Stage Door, Margate. Tickets: \$48. Call 954-344-7765 or visit www.stagedoorfl.org.

Saturday, Sept. 16
An Evening with Charles Busch: The legendary drag queen and Tony-nominated playwright (*The Tale of the Allergist’s Wife*) gives a one-man show about his life and recent career in a special LGBT outreach event. 8 pm, Palm Beach Dramaworks, West Palm Beach. Tickets: \$75. Call 5514-4042 or visit palmbeachdramaworks.org.

A Conversation With Edith Head: Susan Claassen performs a one-woman show about the legendary Hollywood designer. Part of the Wick Theatre’s new exhibit, *Bling: The Brilliant History of Glitz*, featuring clothes owned by the flamboyant pianist Liberace. Luncheon gala and show is \$145; the show alone is \$85. Doors open at noon at the Wick Theatre and Costume Museum, Boca Raton. Call 995-2333 or visit thewick.org.

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Tap42, Gastrogrub, lunch and dinner; 5050 Town Center Circle, No. 247, Boca Raton; 235-5819, www.tap42.com

Rocco's Tacos & Tequila Bar, Mexican, lunch and dinner; 5250 Town Center Circle, Boca Raton; 416-2131, www.roccostacos.com

Brio Tuscan Grille, Italian, lunch and dinner; 5050 Town Center Circle, Boca Raton; 392-3777, www.brioitalian.com/the_shops_at_boca_raton.html

Morton's The Steakhouse, dinner; 5050 Town Center Circle, No. 219, Boca Raton; 392-7724, www.mortons.com/bocaraton/

City Fish Market, seafood, lunch and dinner; 7940 Glades Road, Boca Raton; 487-1600, www.buckheadrestaurants.com/restaurant/city-fish-market/

Uncle Tai's, Chinese, lunch and dinner; 5250 Town Center Circle, Boca Raton; 368-8806, www.uncletais.com

Tilted Kilt Pub & Eatery, Scottish, English and American comfort food and craft beers, lunch and dinner; 3320 Airport Road, No. 1, Boca Raton; 338-5458, www.tiltedkilt.com

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Henry's, American, lunch and dinner; 6850 Jog Road, Delray Beach; 638-1949, www.henrysofbocaraton.com

Rebel House, American, lunch and dinner; 297 E. Palmetto Park Road, Boca Raton; 353-5888, www.lifetastesbetter.com

DaVinci's of Boca, Rustic Italian, lunch and dinner; 6000 Glades Road, Suite 1229, Boca Raton; 362-8466, www.davinciofboca.com/home

Matteo's, Italian, dinner; 233 S. Federal Highway, No. 108, Boca Raton; 392-0773, bocaraton.matteosristorante.com

Ditmas Kitchen & Cocktail, kosher New American fare, lunch and dinner; 21077 Powerline Road, Boca Raton; 826-8875, www.ditmasboca.com

Piñon Grill, American-Southwestern, lunch and dinner; 6000 Glades Road, Suite 1390, Boca Raton; 391-7770, www.pinongrill.com

Junior's, deli, lunch and dinner; Mizner Park, 409 Plaza Real, Boca Raton; 672-7301, www.juniorscheesecake.com

Max's Grille, American, lunch and dinner; Mizner Park, 404 E. Plaza Real, Boca Raton; 368-0080, www.maxsgrille.com

The Melting Pot, fondue, dinner; 5455 N. Federal Highway, Boca Raton; 997-7472, www.meltingpot.com

Ruth's Chris, steakhouse, dinner except on Saturday; 225 NE Mizner Blvd., Boca Raton; 392-6746, www.ruthschris.com

Café 5150, American, lunch and dinner; Boca Center, 5150 Town Center Circle, Boca Raton; 392-4600, www.cafe5150.weebly.com/index.html

Café Med, Italian, dinner; 2096 NE Second St., Deerfield Beach; 954-596-5840, www.cafemeddeerfield.com

Zinburger, wine and burger bar; Town Center at Boca Raton, 6000 Glades Road; 393-3252, www.zinburger.com

Flavor Palm Beach, in its 10th year, offers special prix fixe menus through Sept. 30.

Participating restaurants present a selection of specially priced three-course meals for lunch for \$20 and dinner for anywhere from \$30-\$45. Diners may select from three choices for each course. Prices are per person and exclude beverages, tax and gratuity. Reservations are a good idea. Some of the participating restaurants:

50 Ocean, American, lunch and dinner; 50 S. Ocean Blvd., Delray Beach; 278-3364, www.50ocean.com

Al Fresco, Italian, dinner; 2345 S. Ocean Blvd., Palm Beach; 273-4130, www.alfrescopb.com

Café Boulud, French, lunch Monday-Friday and dinner; 301 Australian Ave., Palm Beach; 655-6060, www.cafeboulud.com

Café L'Europe, French, dinner; 331 S. County Road, Palm Beach; 655-4020, www.cafeleurope.com

Capital Grille, steakhouse, dinner; 6000 Glades Road, Boca Raton, 368-1077, www.thecapitalgrille.com

Charley's Crab, seafood, lunch and dinner; 456 S. Ocean Blvd., Palm Beach; 659-1500, www.muier.com

Costa Palm Beach, Mediterranean, lunch and dinner; 150 Worth Ave., No. 234, Palm Beach; 429-8456, costapb.business.site

Echo, sushi, dinner; 230 Sunrise Ave., Palm Beach; 422-4981, www.echopalmbeach.com

Graze at the Four Seasons, American, lunch Friday, Saturday and Sunday; 2800 S. Ocean Blvd., Palm Beach; 582-2800, www.fourseasons.com

Imoto, sushi, dinner; 350 S. County Road, Palm Beach; 833-5522, www.imotopalmbeach.com

Jové Kitchen & Bar at the Four Seasons, American, dinner; 2800 S. Ocean Blvd., Palm Beach; 582-2800, www.fourseasons.com

The Leopard Lounge at The Chesterfield, American, lunch and dinner; 363 Coconut Row, Palm Beach; 659-5800, www.chesterfieldpb.com

Morton's The Steakhouse, dinner; 5050 Town Center Circle, No. 219, Boca Raton; 392-7724, www.mortons.com/bocaraton/

Meat Market, steakhouse, dinner Monday-Thursday; 191 Bradley Place, Palm Beach; 354-9800, www.meatmarket.net

PB Catch, seafood, dinner; 251 Sunrise Ave., Palm Beach; 655-5558, www.pbcatch.com

Polo Steakhouse at the Colony Hotel, lunch and dinner; 155 Hammon Ave., Palm Beach; 655-5430, www.thecolonypalmbeach.com

Renato's, Italian, dinner; 87 Via Mizner, Palm Beach; 655-9752, www.renatospalmbeach.com

Ruth's Chris, steakhouse, dinner except on Saturday; 225 NE Mizner Blvd., Boca Raton; 392-6746, www.ruthschris.com

Sant Ambroeus, Italian, lunch and dinner; 340 Royal Poinciana Way, Palm Beach; 285-7990, www.santambroeus.com

Seasons 52, American, lunch and dinner; 2300 NW Executive Center, Boca Raton; 998-9952, www.seasons52.com

Temple Orange at Eau Palm Beach Resort, American, lunch and dinner; 100 S. Ocean Blvd., Manalapan; 540-4923, www.templeorangerestaurant.com

The Italian Restaurant at The Breakers, dinner; 1 S. County Road, Palm Beach; 422-4979, www.thebreakers.com

The Melting Pot, fondue, dinner; 5455 N. Federal Highway, Boca Raton; 997-7472, www.meltingpot.com

More September specials
Belle & Maxwell's, teahouse café, lunch and dinner; three-course meal for \$25; 3700 S. Dixie Highway, West Palm Beach; 832-4449, www.belleandmaxwells.com

Café Frankie's, Italian, lunch and dinner; \$7.99 lunch specials, \$1 off beer, \$2 off wine by the glass, \$5-\$8 appetizer specials between 4:30-6:30 p.m.; 640 E. Ocean Ave., Boynton Beach; 732-3834, www.cafefrankies.com

Josie's Ristorante, Italian, dinner; 15 percent off the entire check; 1602 S. Federal Highway, Boynton Beach; 364-9601, www.josiesristorante.com

Pig-Sty BBQ, barbecue, lunch and dinner; smoked pastrami on Mondays and Fridays for \$10, burnt ends on Tuesdays and Saturdays for \$12, slabs of ribs for \$20 on Thursdays, and Sunday platters with ribs, chicken and pulled pork and two side dishes for \$12; 706 W. Boynton Beach Blvd., Boynton Beach; 810-5801, www.pigstybbq.com ★

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Community Calendar

Note: Events are current as of 8/25. Please check with organizers for any changes.

SEPTEMBER 2

Saturday - 9/2 - 3rd Annual Save the Jaguar 5K at Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach. Benefits Madidi Tambopata in Bolivia. 6-7 am packet pick up; 7:30-10:30 am race. \$35/advance; \$40/race day; \$25/student (17 & younger). 547-9453; palmbeachzoo.org

9/2 - Social Media for Business Marketing with Rajeeyah Madinah at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Basic levels of advertising, SEO, content marketing, social media strategies, all things that pertain to digital marketing. Basic knowledge of social media required. Every Sat through 10/21 9-10:30 am. \$75/resident; \$93.75/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

9/2 - The Writer's Studio at Delray Beach Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Every Sat 10 am. Free. 638-7251; delraylibrary.org

9/2 - Social Media for Branding with Rajeeyah Madinah at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Fundamentals of Branding & Marketing 101, best ways to use Google Plus, Vimeo, Twitter, Facebook, About Me, LinkedIn, others. Basic knowledge of social media required. Every Sat through 10/21 10:30 am-noon. \$75/resident; \$93.75/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

9/2 - E-Commerce Online Business with Rajeeyah Madinah at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. For anyone with an interest in online business, e-commerce, podcasts, blogging, apps or an interest in using the internet for business. Every Sat through 10/21 12:30-2 pm. \$75/resident; \$93.75/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

9/2 - Pickleball at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Adults. M-F 8:30-11:30 am, F 6-8:30 pm, Sat 1-4 pm. Monthly pass \$15/resident, \$25/non-resident; \$2/day. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

9/2 - Sick Puppies Comedy Show Improv at Center Stage Performing Arts, 7200 W Camino Real #330, Boca Raton. Every F/Sat. 9-10:30 pm. \$15/online; \$20/at the door. 954-667-7735; sickpuppiescomedy.com

9/2-23 - Exhibition: Florida Artists Group at Cultural Council of Palm Beach County, 601 Lake Ave, Lake Worth. T-Sat 10 am-5 pm. Free. 471-2901; palmbeachculture.com

SEPTEMBER 3-9

Sunday - 9/3 - Free Museum Admission at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. 1st Sun noon-5 pm. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

9/3 - Boynton Beach Mall Green Market at 801 N. Congress Ave, between Cinemark 14 Theater and TooJay's. Every Sun noon-5 pm. Free. 736-7900; boyntonbeachmall.com

9/3 - Bridge Duplicate at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Sanctioned A.C.B.L. duplicate bridge game for the experienced player. Light lunch served. Partners available for singles. Runs through 12/28. Sun 12:30-4 pm (except special events and holidays). \$10/at the door. Reservations or partners: 338-2995; myboca.us

Monday - 9/4 - Labor Day

9/4 - Pickleball at Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Combines badminton and tennis. Adults. M/W/F 9 am-noon; T/Th 10 am-1 pm. \$5/person; annual pass \$130/resident, \$165/non-resident. 742-6550; boynton-beach.org

9/4 - Adult Watercolor Painting Workshop at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Instructor provides class lesson/lecture, emphasis on composition/drawing, then a painting demo. Remainder of class is one-on-one instruction, finishing with class critique. Age 18 & up. Every M or W 10 am-1 pm. Monthly \$35/resident; \$40/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

9/4 - Senior Bingo at Pompey Park, 1101 NW 2nd St, Delray Beach. Adults age 50 & up. M/W 10:30 am-noon. Free. 243-7356; mydelraybeach.com

9/4 - Duplicate Bridge Games at Carolyn Sims Center, 225 NW 12th Ave, Boynton Beach. M/W/F noon-3 pm. \$3/person. 742-6640; boynton-beach.org

9/4 - Empowerment Zone at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Resume/job/computer assistance. Every M/Th 1-4:30 pm. Free. 266-0798; delraylibrary.org

9/4 - Happy Squares Dance Club at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. All skill levels welcome. Age 18 & up. Every M 6:45-9:15 pm. \$6/person. 865-2611; boynton-beach.org

9/4 - Bike Nite at Tilted Kilt Pub & Brewery, 3320 Airport Rd #1, Boca Raton. Held by Fury Road Riders, benefits Natural High, a national 501(c)3 non-profit organization dedicated to inspire youth to discover their natural high so they have a reason to say no to drugs and alcohol. Tilted Kilt donates 10% of food bill

to Natural High. Every M 7 pm. 504-3310; furyroadrc.com

Tuesday - 9/5 - Pickleball: Advanced Play at Delray Beach Community Center, 50 NW 1st Ave. Adults. T/Th/F 9 am-1 pm. Monthly pass \$15/resident, \$20/non-resident; 3-month pass \$40/resident, \$50/non-resident; 6-month pass \$60/resident, \$70/non-resident. 243-7250; mydelraybeach.com

9/5 - Exhibition Opening: Earth Works: Mapping the Anthropocene; Photography by Justin Guariglia at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Exhibit runs through 1/7 regular museum hours: T-W, F-Sun 10 am-5 pm; Th noon-9 pm. Free admission through 12/2018. 832-5196; norton.org

9/5 - Boca Raton Noon Toastmasters at Train Depot, 747 S Dixie Hwy. Improve public speaking, leadership abilities. Every T 12:15-1:15 pm. Free. 251-4164; toastmastersclub.org

9/5 - Couples Round Dance at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. Learn figures/routines to waltz, swing, foxtrot. Age 18 & up. Every T 1-2:30 pm (high intermediate level), 2:30-4 pm (low intermediate level). \$12/couple. 352-455-5759; boynton-beach.org

9/5 - Chess Club at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Knowledge of the game necessary. Age 18 & up. Every T/F 1-4 pm. Annual fee \$20/resident; \$30/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

9/5 - Sell Your Stuff on Ebay at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 1-2:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

9/5 - Socrates Café at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Philosophical discussions. Every T 1:30-3 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

9/5 - Modern Line Dance Class at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Enhance quality of life through modern music/dance. Age 50 & up. Every T 1:30-2:30 pm. Per class \$5/resident; \$6/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

9/5 - Zonta Club of Boca Raton at Pavilion Grille, 301 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. 2nd W 5:30 pm. \$30. 482-1013; zontabocaraton.org

9/5 - Ukulele Music Interactive at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. All ages. 1st & 3rd T 6-9 pm. Free. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

9/5 - Soul Line Dancing at Ezell Hester, Jr. Community Center, 1901 N Seacrest Blvd, Boynton Beach. Age 18+. Every T 7-8:30 pm. \$6/person. 742-6550; boynton-beach.org

Wednesday - 9/6 - Alliance of Delray Residential Associations at South County Civic Center, 16700 Jog Rd, Delray Beach. Preparing for Legislative Session 2018: members of Palm Beach County Delegation & State Attorney Aronberg's Office. 1st W 9 am doors open; 9:30 am meeting. Free. 495-9670; allianceofdelray.com

9/6 - Lawn Bowling at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Takes skill/practice. Age 18 & up. Every W/F 9 am-noon. Annual fee \$40/resident; \$45/non-resident. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

9/6 - Socrates Cafe at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Philosophical discussions. Every W 11:30 am-1 pm. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

9/6 - Adult Coloring Club at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Use our coloring sheets or bring your own. Every W 1 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeach.us

9/6 - South Coast Big Band Dance Party at Boynton Beach Senior Center, 1021 S Federal Hwy. Standards, pop, big band swing, jazz. Every W 1-3 pm. \$2/non-member. 742-6570; boynton-beach.org

9/6 - Boynton Delray Uke Society at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Ukulele lovers group. 1st W 5 pm. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

9/6 - Saving Space on Your Apple Device at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 6-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

9/6 - Adult Silent Painting Party: Theme: Clock at Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Learn to use a slab roller, coil maker, an electric wheel. 6:30-8:30 pm. \$25/resident; \$31/non-resident. 742-6650; boynton-beach.org

9/6 - Adult Pottery at Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Learn to use a slab roller, coil maker, an electric wheel. Every W through 10/11. 6:30-9 pm. \$80/resident; \$100/non-resident. 742-6650; boynton-beach.org

Thursday - 9/7 - Rippers Knitting Club at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. All skill levels. Every Th 9 am-noon. \$10/per season. 742-6240; boynton-beach.org

9/7 - Quilters meet at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest. Share quilting information, perpetuate quilting as a cultural and artistic form. Every Th 9-11:30 am. Free. 742-6886; boyntonlibrary.org

9/7 - Knit 'N Purl at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Rotating

Municipal Meetings

9/5 - Highland Beach - First Tuesday at Highland Beach Town Hall, 3614 S Ocean Blvd. 1:30 pm. Agenda: ci.highland-beach.fl.us

9/7 & 19 - Boynton Beach - First and third Tuesday at Boynton Beach City Hall, 100 E Boynton Beach Blvd. 6:30 pm. Agenda: boynton-beach.org

9/7 & 26 - Gulf Stream - Second Friday at Gulf Stream Town Hall, 100 Sea Rd. 9 am. Agenda: gulf-stream.org

9/11 & 21 - Ocean Ridge - First Monday at Ocean Ridge Town Hall, 6450 N Ocean Blvd. 6 pm. Agenda: oceanridgeflorida.com.

9/11 & 25 - Lantana - Second & fourth Mondays at Lantana Town Hall, 500 Greynolds Cir. 7 pm. Agenda: lantana.org

9/25 - South Palm Beach - Fourth Tuesday at the South Palm Beach Town Hall, 3577 S Ocean Blvd. 7 pm follows 5:30 pm budget hearing. Agenda: southpalmbeach.com

9/12 & 26 - Boca Raton - Second & fourth Tuesday at Boca Raton City Hall, 201 W Palmetto Park Rd. 6 pm. Agenda: myboca.us

9/7 & 9/19 - Delray Beach - First & third Tuesdays at Delray Beach City Hall, 100 NW 1st Ave. 6 pm. Agenda: mydelraybeach.com

9/26 - Manalapan - Fourth Tuesday at Manalapan Town Hall, 600 S Ocean Blvd. 9:30 am. Agenda: manalapan.org

9/28 - Briny Breezes - Fourth Thursday at Briny Breezes Town Hall, 4802 N Ocean Blvd. 4 pm. Agenda: townofbrinybreezes-fl.com

facilitators. Held again 9/21. 10:30 am. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

9/7 - Sumi-e Ink Painting Class at Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Held again 9/14 & 28. Floral 10:30 am-12:30 pm; Landscape 1:30-3:30 pm. \$41-\$45 + materials fee. Registration: 495-0233; morikami.org

9/7 - A.N.T.H.U.M. Jazz Band Dance Party at Boynton Beach Senior Center, 1021 S Federal Hwy. Standards, pop, big band swing, jazz. Every Th 1-3 pm. \$2/non-member. 742-6570; boynton-beach.org

9/7 - Senior Bridge at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Experienced players welcome. Partners not needed. Every Th 1-4 pm. Annual fee \$15/resident + \$1/game; \$25/non-resident + \$2/game. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

9/7 - Art After Dark/Opening Night of Earthworks at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. 5-9 pm. Free. 832-5196; norton.org

9/7 - Speed Networking Event presented by The Jewish Business Network Downtown Boca at The Showroom of Capital Lighting, 7301 N Federal Hwy. 6 pm. \$18/person. RSVP 394-9770; bocabeachchabad.org/JBN

9/7 - 2017 Biennial Faculty Art Exhibition Opening Reception at Florida Atlantic University Ritter Art Gallery, 77 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Exhibition runs through 11/4. 6:30 pm. Free. 297-2661; fau.edu/galleries

9/7 - A Conversation with Robert Watson: The Nazi Titanic: The Incredible Untold Story of a Doomed Ship in World War II at Congregation B'nai Israel, 2200 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Dessert reception/book signing follow. 7 pm. \$25/non-member; \$10/student & military w/ID. Registration: 241-8118; cbiboca.org/speakerseries

9/7 - Book Launch: The Painting and The Piano; An Improbable Story of Love and Survival by Ocean Ridge residents John Lipscomb and Adrienne Lugo at Barnes & Noble, 1400 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 7 pm. 750-2134; facebook.com/thepaintingandthepiano

9/7 - An Evening of Woodwind Chamber Music at Lynn University Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. \$10. 237-9000; lynn.tix.com

Friday - 9/8 - Exhibition Opening: Reflections at The Creative Arts School, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Runs through 10/29 during regular hours. Free. 243-7922 x 478; oldschooolsquare.org

9/8 - Supervised Bridge Play at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. John Black: 2 hours supervised Bridge play. Partners not needed. Adults. Every F 10 am-noon. \$10/person. 393-7807; myboca.us

9/8 - Current Events Discussion Group at Highland Beach Library, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. Every F 10:30 am-noon. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeach.us

9/8 - Balkan by the Beach: International Folk Dance at Veterans Park, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. Benefit of exercise, pleasure of dancing to beautiful music. No experience or partner needed. Age 50 & up. Every F 10:45 am-1:15 pm. \$5/resident; \$6/non resident per class. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

9/8 - All Access Apps at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 11 am-12:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

9/8 - Bill Gove Golden Gavel Toastmasters Club at Duffy's Sports Grill, 4746 N Congress Ave, Boynton Beach. Every F noon-1 pm. \$12/lunch or \$5/soft drink; cash only. 742-2121; billgovetostmastersclub.com

9/8 - Adult Coloring Club at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 2nd & 4th F 2 pm. Free. Pre-registration & valid Delray Beach Library card required: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

9/8 - Sushi & Stroll Summer Walk at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Experience the gardens, enjoy taiko drumming, a cold drink,

a breathtaking sunset. Fushu Daiko drumming performances 6:30, 7:15 & 8 pm (first-come/first-served, additional \$3). 5:30-8:30 pm. \$6-\$8. 495-0233; morikami.org

9/8 - Evening on the Avenue at Cultural Plaza, 414 Lake Ave, Lake Worth. Live music, food vendors, crafts, artists. Every F 6-10 pm. Free. 588-8344; lakeworth.org

9/8 - Adult Ballroom Dance Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Instructor Lee Fox. Singles and couples welcome. Every F through 10/25. Beginner (Cha-Cha) 6:30-7:30 pm; Intermediate (Hustle) 7:45-8:45 pm. \$60/resident; \$75/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

9/8 - Castoffs Square Dance Club at Boynton Beach Civic Center, 128 E Ocean Ave. Basic modern western square dancing. Every F 7-7:45 pm dance & rounds; 7:45-9:30 pm dance club. \$12/couple at the door. 731-3119; boynton-beach.org

9/8 - Cult Classic Film Series: Frat Night with Animal House (1978) and Old School (2003) at Old School Square Fieldhouse, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Snack/draft beer station. Costumes encouraged, prizes awarded at intermission. 7 pm doors open; 8-11 pm film. \$5-\$15. 243-7922; oldschooolsquare.org

Saturday - 9/9 - Cason United Methodist Church's Organic Community Garden Reopening Meeting at 342 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. A portion of produce donated to The Caring Kitchen. No experience necessary. Garden plots available for 2017-18 season. All ages. \$70-\$95/donation. 9:30 am. 374-2434; onatripw3@gmail.com

9/9 - Hebrew Marathon at Temple Beth El, 333 SW 4th Ave, Boca Raton. Teaches rudiments of Hebrew. Materials & lunch included. Adults. 9:30 am-2:30 pm. \$18. RSVP: 391-8900; tbeoca.org

9/9 - Family Saturdays: Opera: Stories Told Through Singing at Cultural Council of Palm Beach County, 601 Lake Ave, Lake Worth. In partnership with Palm Beach Opera. Family fare; age 3+. 10-11:30 am. Free. Limited seating; registristration: 471-2901; palmbeachculture.com

9/9 - Ride & Remember Trolley Tour departs from Spady Cultural Heritage Museum, 170 NW 5th Ave, Delray Beach. 2-hour tour focuses on 5 historic districts. 2nd Sat 10 am-noon. \$25. Reservations: 279-8883; spadymuseum.com

9/9 - Everyone Judges a Book by its Cover part of Florida Authors Academy Workshop at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. Instructor Victoria Landis. 10 am. Registration: \$25. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

9/9 - Butterfly Gardening at Daggerwing Nature Center, 11435 Park Access Rd, Boca Raton. Learn about local butterflies, discover how to attract them to your yard, which plants are best to attract a multitude of species. Guided tour of the nature center's garden. All ages. 10:30 am. \$3/person. Reservations: 629-8760; pbcnature.com

9/9 - Cloud Computing Storage, Productivity & Entertainment at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 1-2:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

9/9 - WineFest 2017 at The American German Club, 5111 Lantana Rd, Lake Worth. Wine tasting, hors d'oeuvres, pairing dinner, crowning of wine queen, live music/entertainment. 5 pm doors open; 6-9 pm tasting; 6-8 pm dinner. \$30/advance; \$35/at the door. Limited seating. 967-6464; americangermanclub.org

9/9 - 6th Annual Brazilian Beat at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. Celebrates Brazilian Independence Day. Live music, street entertainment, authentic Brazilian food/cocktails. 6-11 pm. Free. 367-7070; downtownboca.org

9/9 - Boynton Beach Art Walk at 406-422 Industrial Ave. Art, food trucks, more. 7-10 pm. Free. 786-521-1199; boyntonbeachdistrict.com

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Sunday - 9/10 - Lake Worth Art League: The Art of Plein Air at Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach. In honor of International Plein Air Painters Organization's worldwide paint-out weekend. Open to all artists. 8:45 am-noon. \$20/due to LWAL by 8/23. 350-7626; lwartleague.org

9/10 - Grandparents Day at Flagler Museum, 1 Whitehall Way, Palm Beach. Tour Whitehall, enjoy family-friendly activities : Create a family tree and scrapbook page, be interviewed by your grandchild, write a postcard, have a family photo taken in front of Railcar No. 91. Noon-5 pm. Free w/museum admission. 655-2833; flaglermuseum.us

9/10 - Grandparent's Day Party at Boynton Beach Senior Center, 1021 S Federal Hwy. Noon-5 pm. Free w/regular admission. 742-6570; boynton-beach.org

9/10 - Boca Talk: Karen Mathews, Ph.D.: Gendered Identities and Cultural Alienation in Contemporary Iranian Photography at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. 3-4 pm. \$10/non-member. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

Monday - 9/11 - Great Books at Boynton Beach Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Program list available at the library. Held again 9/25. 10-11:30 am. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/11 - Monday Morning Muffins & Mysteries: Knots and Crosses by Ian Rankin at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 10:30-11:30 am. Free. 393-7906; bocalibrary.org

9/11 - Computer Basics for Older Adults at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. In partnership with Urban League, Comcast, and Older Adults Technology Services. Introduction to Internet and Email. Every M/T through 11/14 10:30 am-noon. Free. Pre-registration & valid Delray Beach Library card required: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

9/11 - Blogs 101 at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 6-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7906; bocalibrary.org

9/11 - Cooking in the Garden: Creative Culinary Class with Chef Nina of Bean Scene Productions: Easy Peasy Hummus Made from Scratch, Traditional Variations at Mounts Botanical Garden, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Held again 9/21. 6-8 pm. \$10/member; \$15/non-member. 233-1757; mounts.org

9/11 - Downtown Lake Worth Food Truck Invasion at Cultural Plaza, 414 Lake Ave. 2nd M 6-10 pm. 844-682-7466; foodtruckinvasion.com

Tuesday - 9/12 - Beginner Drawing with Color Pastels & Charcoal Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Instructor Lucinda St. Laurent. Every T through 10/10 9:30-11:30 am. \$110/resident; \$137.50/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

9/12 - Introduction to Mah Jongg at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Required 2016 National Mah Jongg League playing card needed for class. Every T through 10/31 10:30 am-12:30 pm. \$97/resident; \$121/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

9/12 - Getting to Know Your iPad at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 1-2:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

9/12 - Mac 101 at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 1-2:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

9/12 - Homestead Exemption Outreach at Boynton Beach Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Palm Beach County Property Appraiser's Office takes 2018 exemption applications, answers questions; copy of deed & proof of residency required 1:30-2:30 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/12 - Word 2013 Basics for Older Adults at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Held again 10/3. 2-3:30 pm. Free. Pre-registration & valid Delray Beach Library card required: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

9/12 - The Wandering Falcon by Jamil Ahmad part of Evening Book Group at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 6 pm. Free. 266-0194; delraylibrary.org

9/12 - Parent Workshop: Planning, Organizing, and Completing Tasks: Executive Functioning Skills and Students with Autism Spectrum and Related Disorders at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Presented by Support for Students Growth Center. 6-7 pm. Free. Pre-register: 347-3900; myfloridathatery.com

9/12 - Music & Interactive Art at Veterans Park Recreation Center, 50 NW 1st Ave, Delray Beach. Bring an instrument, join the open jam session style music. Esels & art supplies set up for anyone wanting to explore their inner creativity in a non-instructional environment. Join in or sit and listen! All ages. 2nd T 6-9 pm. Free. 243-7350; mydelraybeach.com

9/12 - Foreign Film Series: Amores Perros (R) at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 6:30-9 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

9/12 - Shed Sessions at The Spady: Spady House Band at The Spady Cultural Heritage Museum, 170 NW 5th Ave, Delray Beach. 2nd T 8-11 pm. \$10/at the door; free/musicians. 278-8883; spadmuseum.com

Wednesday - 9/13 - Got Sprouts? Sprouting For the Health of It! with Sean Herbert at Mounts Botanical Garden, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. 9 am-noon. \$20/member; \$25/non-member. 233-1757; mounts.org

9/13 - Computers Beyond the Basics for Older Adults at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. In partnership with Urban League, Comcast, and Older Adults Technology Services. Introduction to Internet and Email. Every W/Th through 11/16 10:30 am-noon. Free. Pre-registration & valid Delray Beach Library card required: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

9/13 - Gold Coast Tiger Bay Club at City Fish Market, 7940 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Speaker Roger Stone. 11:30 am-1:30 pm. \$45/member or first-time guest; \$50/non-member. 852-0000; goldcoasttigerbayclub.com

9/13 - Sewing Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Group project class, teacher on hand for assistance. Come prepared to work the first day; bring fabric, pattern, scissors, pins, thread, sewing machine. All levels welcome. Every W through 11/15 noon-2 pm. \$120/resident; \$150/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

9/13 - The Ghost of Hannah Mendes by Naomi Ragen part of Book Discussion Series at Society of The Four Arts Dixon Education Building, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 1:30 pm. Free. 655-2766; fourarts.org

9/13 - Excel 2013 Basics for Older Adults at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Held again 10/4. 2-3:30 pm. Free. Pre-registration & valid Delray Beach Library card required: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

9/13 - Summer Evening Stroll at Mounts Botanical Garden, 563 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Walking tour. 5:30-6:30 pm. \$10/non-member. 233-1757; mounts.org

9/13 - Zonta Club of Boca Raton at Pavilion Grille, 301 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. 2nd W 5:30 pm. \$30. 482-1013; zontabocaraton.org

9/13 - Create Your Own Website 1: The Basics at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 6-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7906; bocalibrary.org

9/13 - Women's National Book Association (WNBA) Meet & Greet at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. Annual reading celebration; readers & writers. Lite bites, wine. 6:30 pm. Free. WNBAsoFla@gmail.com

9/13 - Writer's Corner at Boynton Beach Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Manuscript critiquing by published authors. 6:30-8 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/13 - Delray Beach Orchid Society at Veterans Park Recreation Center, 802 NE 1st St, Delray Beach. 2nd W 7 pm. Free. 573-2422; delraybeachorchidsociety.com

Thursday - 9/14 - Sip, Shop & Stroll at retailers on Atlantic Ave, Delray Beach. Benefits The Center for Women & Children at Bethesda Health. Free. 737-7733 x84428; bhinc.org

9/14 - iPad 2: Using Apps at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 1-2:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

9/14 - Concert: Tony Abbott & Friends: A Tribute to Neil Diamond at Highland Beach Library Community Room, 3618 S Ocean Blvd. 5 pm. Free. 278-5455; highlandbeach.us

9/14 - Art After Dark/Spotlight Exhibition: Julie Mehretu at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. 5-9 pm. Free. 832-5196; norton.org

9/14 - Exhibition Preview Party: Made in Palm Beach Gardens at Cultural Council of Palm Beach County, 601 Lake Ave, Lake Worth. Exhibition runs 9/15-11/18. 5:30-7:30 pm. \$20/non-member. RSVP: 472-3301; palmbeachculture.com

9/14 - Night Line Dance at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Every Th through 10/26. Beginner 6-7 pm; Beginner & High Beginner 6-8 pm; High Beginner 7-8 pm; Intermediate 8-9 pm; High Beginner & Intermediate 7-9 pm. \$44/resident; \$55/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

9/14 - The Next Generation Road Rascals Car Show at Lake Worth Casino Building & Beach Complex, 10 S Ocean Blvd. 2nd Th 6-9 pm. rstarr2010@gmail.com

9/14 - The Hate U Give by Angie Thomas part of (Not Too) Young Adult Book Club at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 7-8 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

9/14 - Boca Raton Orchid Society at Safe Schools Institute, 1790 NW Spanish River Blvd. Roy Takanaga speaks on Dendrobiums: Species, Hybrids, & Culture. 2nd Th 7:30 pm. Free/ member & 1st-time guest. 810-6547; brosonine.org

Friday - 9/15 - Twitter 101 at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 11 am-12:30 pm. Free. 393-7906; bocalibrary.org

9/15 - 4th Annual Celebrity Bartender's Battle at Farmer's Table, 1901 N Military

Tr, Boca Raton. Benefits Unicorn Children's Foundation. 6-8 pm. \$30/advance; \$40/at the door. 620-9377; unicornchildrensfoundation.org

9/15 - 6th Annual Toasts, Tastes & Trolleys at Boca Raton Resort & Club, 501 E Camino Real. Benefits Boca Raton Historical Society & Museum. Cocktails/hors d'oeuvres at the resort, trolley to signature food/cocktails at a variety of downtown locations, concludes at the resort with dessert/dancing/cash bar. 6-11 pm. \$125. 395-6766 x301; bocahistory.org

9/15 - Cult Classic Film Series: Airplane (1980) at Old School Square Fieldhouse, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Snack/draft beer station. Costumes encouraged, prizes awarded at intermission. 7 pm doors open; 8-11 pm film. \$5-\$15. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

9/15 - Victoria Landis speaks and signs her book *A Little Bit Sideways* at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 7 pm. Free. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

9/15 - Senses of Cinema The Basics: Classic American Cinema Class at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Ages 18+. Every F through 12/22 7-9:30 pm. Per class \$8/resident, \$10/non-resident; full session \$24/resident, \$30/non-resident. 347-3900; sugarsandpark.org

Saturday - 9/16 - 19th Annual Charity Golf Tournament hosted by The Kiwanis Club of Hypoluxo-Lantana at Winston Trails. 6101 Winston Trails Blvd, Lake Worth, Benefits children of the greater Lantana area. 7:30 am registration; 8:30 am shotgun start; 12:30 pm lunch/awards reception. \$100/individual; \$400/foursome. Register by 9/9: 329-6065; lantanachamber.com

9/16 - Cason United Methodist Church's Organic Community Garden Seed Exchange Workshop at 342 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. 9:30 am. Free. 374-2434; onatripw3@gmail.com

9/16 - The Road to Independent Publishing in Simple Steps! part of Florida Authors Academy Workshop at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. Instructor Marcia King-Gamble. 10 am. \$25. Registration: 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

9/16 - West Coast Swing Dance Class at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. Instructor John Grassia. Singles and couples welcome. Every Sat through 10/21 1-2:30 pm. \$50/resident; \$62.50/non-resident. 393-7807; myboca.us

9/16 - Brew 2 at the Zoo at Palm Beach Zoo, 1301 Summit Blvd, West Palm Beach. Sampling from 25+ breweries, food available for purchase, live music. Adults only. 5:30-9 pm. \$37.50/general; \$67.50/VIP; \$15/designated driver. Advance tickets required: 547-9453; palmbeachzoo.org

9/16 - Ruth Hartman Berge and Prudy Taylor Board speak and sign their books *How To Unleash The Hemingway In You* and *101+ Tips On Writing Fiction* at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 6 pm. Free. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

9/16-17 - Encore Dancesport Ballroom Dance Competition at EAU Palm Beach Resort & Spa, 100 S Ocean Blvd., Manalapan. Pro/Am events, seminars, professional show, more. Check website for events/times/fees. 941-704-7613; encoredancesport.com

9/16-17 - Exotic Plant & Orchid Sale & Indoor Arts & Craft Fair at Mounts Botanical Garden, 563 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Walking tour. 9 am-4 pm. Free/member & child 12 & under; \$10/non-member. 233-1757; mounts.org

SEPTEMBER 17-23

Sunday - 9/17 - Boca Walk to End Alzheimer's at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 2-mile walk. 6:30 am registration; 8 am ceremony; 8:30 am walk. Walk to raise funds. 354-786-1533; act.alz.org/bocawalk

9/17 - Music in the Museum: Dr. Irena Kofman and Marina Berberian at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Limited seating. 3-4 pm. Free w/museum admission. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

9/17 - Gallery Talk: Lawrence Miller: Art School Faculty: 5x5 at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Limited seating. 6-7 pm. Free w/museum admission. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

9/17 - An Abridged History of Agriculture in the Boynton Beach Area at Boynton Beach Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. Presented by Ted Winsberg and Nancy Roe. Co-sponsored by Boynton Beach Historical Society. 6:30-8 pm. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

Monday - 9/18 - Mei-hsuan Huang, Piano at Lynn University Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. 2 pm. Free. 237-9000; lynntix.com

9/18 - Google Trilogy Part 1: Google Mail at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 6-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

9/18-19 - Auditions for A Christmas Story at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave, Lake Worth. Production dates 11/16-12/3.

Prepare one-minute comedic monologue; be prepared to read from script. 7 pm. Free. lakeworthplahouse.org

9/18-19 - Auditions for Annie Get Your Gun! at The Delray Beach Playhouse, 950 NW 9th St. Production dates 12/1-17. Full cast of actors, singers & dancers of all ages. Prepared monologues welcome but not necessary. 7:30 pm. Free. 272-1281 x4; delraybeachplayhouse.com

Tuesday - 9/19 - Fake News & the Modern Presidency with White House Correspondent April Ryan/CNN at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of FAU's 5th annual Robert J. Bailey Symposium on the First Amendment. Panel discussion; book signing follows. 2 pm. \$25. 297-6124; fauevents.com

9/19 - Word 2013 Intermediate at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Adults. 2-3:30 pm. Free. Pre-registration & valid Delray Beach Library card required: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

9/19 - Rise of the Rocket Girls by Nathalia Holt part of The Talk of Kings Book Discussion Group at The Four Arts King Library, 2 Four Arts Plaza, Palm Beach. 5:30-6:30 pm. Free. 655-2766; fourarts.org

9/19 - Cocktails in Paradise at Corner Porch, 85 SE 6th Ave, Delray Beach. Presented by Young Friends of the Historical Society of Palm Beach County and the Delray Beach Historical Society. 6-8 pm. \$25/members, \$35/non-members. Includes first drink and light bites. 21 and over. 832-4164, Ext. 100; delraybeachhistoricalsociety.org

9/19 - FAU Astronomical Observatory public viewing day at Florida Atlantic University Science & Engineering Building 4th floor, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 1st F & 3rd T 7 pm. Free. 297-STAR; physics.fau.edu/observatory

9/19 - Florida Native Plant Society Chapter Meeting at Mounts Botanical Garden, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Members plant swap. 3rd T 7 pm. Free. palmbeach.fnpschapters.org

Wednesday - 9/20 - Why Courts Matter 2017: The Impact Federal Court Decisions Have on Daily Lives at Atlantis Country Club, 190 Atlantis Blvd, Lake Worth. Presented by Palm Beach County Chapters of the League of Women Voters, ACLU and National Council of Jewish Women. Speaker Nancy Abudu, ACLU Florida. 11 am-1 pm. \$25/advance, \$35/after 9/10. Registration: 968-4123; lwvpubc.org

9/20 - Excel 2013 Intermediate at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Adults. 2-3:30 pm. Free. Pre-registration & valid Delray Beach Library card required: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

9/20 - Pinterest at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 6-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7906; bocalibrary.org

9/20-21 - A Closer Look: Pablo Picasso's Au Cafe (1901) at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Talks begin in a gallery, focus on an individual artwork, then move to the Museum Theater to explore the work's cultural context. W 1 pm; Th 6 pm. Free. 832-5196; norton.org

Thursday - 9/21 - Rosh Hashana 9/21 - Curator's Conversations: Spotlight: Julie Mehretu at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Curators lead discussions about special exhibitions, installations, the Museum Collection. All ages. 6:30 pm. Free. 832-5196; norton.org

9/21 - Steel Drum Cruise at Delray Yacht Cruises, 801 E Atlantic Ave. 7-9 pm. \$25. Reservations: 243-0686; delrayyachtcruises.com

9/21-24 - Oleanna by David Mamet presented by Evening Star Productions at Sol Theatre, 3333 N Federal Hwy, Boca Raton. Runs through 10/8. Th/F/Sat 8 pm; Sun 2 pm. \$30/adults, \$20/students. 447-8829; eveningstarproductions.org

Friday - 9/22 - 11th Annual Palm Beach Partners Business Matchmaker Conference & Expo at Kravis Center Cohen Pavilion, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Keynote speaker Ann McNeill, Topical workshops, one-on-one matchmaker appointments, exhibits, networking reception. 7 am-7 pm. 475. Register: pbmatchmaker.com

9/22 - Exhibit: Exotica/Erotica The Naked Truth at Flamingo Clay Glass Metal Stone Studio & Gallery, 15 S J St, Lake Worth. Runs through 10/4. Sun-Th 10 am-6 pm; F/Sat 10 am-10 pm. Reception 6-9 pm. 588-8344; flamingoclaysstudio.org

9/22 - iPad Basics at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Adults. Held again 10/6. 10-11:30 am. Free. Pre-registration & valid Delray Beach Library card required: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

Saturday - 9/23 - 3rd Annual Outrun Hunger Palm Beach County 5K at Okeehelie Park, 7715 Forest Hill Blvd, West Palm Beach. Benefits Feeding South Florida. 7 am registration/packet pickup; 7:30 am run/walk start. \$25. feedingsouthflorida.org

9/23 - 5th Annual Festi-Fall Arts & Crafts Show at St. Ambrose Catholic Church, 380 S

Federal Hwy, Deerfield Beach. Hosted by The Zonta Club of Deerfield Beach. 9 am-2 pm. \$3/ general admission; \$2/coupon or ad. 392-2223; bosanboc@bellsouth.net

9/23 - Farm Your Backyard Vegetable Growing Workshop at Hutcheson Agricultural Complex Exhibit Hall A, 559 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Instructor Arthur Kirstein. Tips, maintenance, harvesting. 9 am-1 pm. Free. Register: 233-1792; dligotino@pbcgov.org

9/23 - FL Authors Academy Has Talent! part of Florida Authors Academy Workshop at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. Open mike for attendees to read work in progress, get feedback from 3 multi-published author judges, Prudy Taylor Board, Randy Rawls & Deborah Sharp. 10 am. \$25. Registration: 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

9/23 - Taste History Culinary Tours of Historic Delray Beach & Boynton Beach conducted by Museum of Lifestyle & Fashion History departs at 11 am from Macy's (outside East Entrance) Boynton Beach Mall, 801 N Congress Ave. 4-hour tour includes bus/walking tour, food sampling, visits to historical/cultural sites. Year-round, rain or shine. Reservations required: \$50-\$60/adult & senior citizen; free/child under 18. 243-2662; tastehistoryculinarytours.org

9/23 - Nancy J. Cohen and Alyssa Maxwell speak and sign their books *Hair Brained* and *Murder at Chateau sur Mer* at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 4 pm. Free. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

9/23-24 - Auditions for Lake Worth Has Talent at Lake Worth Playhouse, 713 Lake Ave. Auditions for 11/5 show. 1-5 pm. 586-6410; lakeworthtalent@gmail.com

9/23-24 - 23rd Annual Downtown Delray Beach Craft Festival at 330 E Atlantic Ave. Over 100 craft booths. 10 am-4 pm. Free. 746-6615; artfestival.com

9/23-24 - Lynn Philharmonia No. 1 at Lynn University Wood Performing Arts Center, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. Sat 7:30 pm; Sun 4 pm. \$50/box; \$40/orchestra; \$35/mezzanine. 237-7000; lynntix.com

SEPTEMBER 24-30

Sunday - 9/24 - Bad Scarlett by Deborah Pollack part of Friends Speaker Series at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 3-4:30 pm. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/24 - Gallery Talk: Carla Golembe and Diane Reeves: Art School Faculty: 5x5 at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Limited seating. 3-4 pm. Free w/museum admission. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

9/24 - Concert: Giorgio Mirto Classical Guitar at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 3 pm. \$20. 800-745-3000; fauevents.com

9/24 - Evening with 2Cellos presented by AEG Live at Mizner Park Amphitheater, 590 Plaza Real, Boca Raton. 6:30 pm doors open; 7:30 pm show. \$33-\$68.50. 750-1668; myboca.us/826/Mizner-Park-Amphitheater

Monday - 9/25 - The Machine Stops part of Great Books Group at Boynton Beach City Library, 208 S Seacrest Blvd. 10-11:30 am. Free. 742-6390; boyntonlibrary.org

9/25 - Friends Book Club at the Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 10:30 am-noon. Free. 393-7968; bocalibrary.org

9/25 - Green Island by Shawna Yang Ryan part of Afternoon Book Group at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. 1 pm. Free. 266-9490; delraylibrary.org

9/25 - 33rd Annual Citizen's Criminal Justice Academy at various locations. Hosted by Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission in collaboration with Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office. Discussions with experts, demonstrations, tours, lectures. Attendees must live/work in Palm Beach County, be willing to undergo criminal background check. Ages 16 & up. Every M 6-9 pm through 12/11. Free. 355-4943; pbcgov.org/criminaljustice

Tuesday - 9/26 - Windows 10 at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Adults. 2-3:30 pm. Free. Pre-registration & valid Delray Beach Library card required: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

9/26 - Charles Todd speaks and signs his book *A Casualty of War* at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 7 pm. Free. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

Wednesday - 9/27 - Literary Lectures: Nell Zink at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 1-2:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

9/27 - Android Basics at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Adults. 2-3:30 pm. Free. Pre-registration & valid Delray Beach Library card required: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

9/27 - Constitutional Crises (de jour) at Palm Beach Post Auditorium, 2751 S Dixie Hwy, West Palm Beach. Presented by Palm Beach County Chapters of the League of Women Voters. Speaker Irving Labovitz, J.D. 6-8 pm. Free. Registration: 968-4123; lwvpubc.org

9/27 - Community Cabaret at Willow Theatre at Sugar Sand Park, 300 S Military Tr, Boca Raton. Calling all singers, dancers, musicians, comedians; performers must register in advance. 7 pm. \$5. 347-3900; willowtheatre.org

Thursday - 9/28 - Business and Bagels at Greater Delray Beach Chamber of Commerce, 140 NE 1st St. 8-9 am. \$5/members, \$10/non-members. 278-0424; delraybeach.com

9/28 - The Essence of Scent Fragrant Flowers at Mounts Botanical Garden, 563 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. 1-2 pm. Free. RSVP: 694-9009 x262; mounts.org

9/28 - Nine & Wine Kick Off Party presented by South Florida Science Center at Palm Beach Par 3, 2345 S Ocean Blvd. Women's Golf Clinic, pre-golf cocktails, wine reception, awards ceremony. Registration/4 pm. \$120/2-some; \$240/4-some; \$35/reception only (7:15-8:15 pm); \$10/advance; \$15/at the door. 832-1988; sfsiencecenter.org

9/28 - Art After Dark/College Night! at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. 5-9 pm. Free. 832-5196; norton.org

9/28 - Canvas & Cocktails at Old School Square Studio 6, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Create art, enjoy wine, craft beer, signature cocktail. 7-9 pm. \$35/includes materials & one drink ticket. 243-7922; oldschoolsquare.org

Friday - 9/29 - iPad Intermediate at Delray Beach Public Library, 100 W Atlantic Ave. Adults. 10-11:30 am. Free. Pre-registration & valid Delray Beach Library card required: 266-0196; delraylibrary.org

9/29 - Screen on the Green: Fantastic Beasts & Where to Find Them (PG-13) at Cultural Plaza, 414 Lake Ave, Lake Worth. Bring blankets, chairs; food/beverage available for purchase. 6-10 pm; 8:15 pm film begins. Free. 493-2550; lakeworth.org/events

9/29-10/1 - The Government Inspector by Nikolai Gogol at Florida Atlantic University Studio One Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Runs through 10/8. F/Sat 7 pm; Sat/Sun 2 pm. \$22. 800-745-3000; fauevents.com

Saturday - 9/30 - Yom Kippur 9/30 - 7th Annual 100,000 Poets and Musicians for Change at American Rocks Bar and Grill, 1600 E Hillsboro Blvd, Deerfield Beach. Palm Beach Poetry Festival hosts global open-mic event. Attendees welcome to read, play or sing along. Must be 21. 3:30 pm. Free. palmbeachpoetryfestival.org

9/30 - Exhibition: Sami Makela/Dennis Bertram at Cultural Council of Palm Beach County, 601 Lake Ave, Lake Worth. T-Sat 10 am-5 pm. Runs through 10/28. Free. 471-2901; palmbeachculture.com

OCTOBER 1-7

Sunday - 10/1 - Nihongo: Japanese Language Levels I-IV at Morikami Japanese Museum and Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Conversational Japanese, reading/writing skills. Every Sun through 11/12. Level I 10:15-11:25 am; Level II 11:20 am-12:35 pm; Level III 12:40-1:50 pm; Level IV 1:50-3 pm. \$90/member; \$100/non-member. Registration: 495-0233; morikami.org

10/1 - Concert: It Takes Two at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Part of Friends Music Series. Adults. 3-4 pm. Free. Reservations: 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

10/1 - Robert Watson speaks and signs his book *The Ghost Ship of Brooklyn* at Murder on the Beach Bookstore, 273 NE 2nd Ave, Delray Beach. 4 pm. Free. 279-7790; murderonthebeach.com

Monday - 10/2 - More Great Books and their Films with Ronelle Delmont at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every M through 11/20 3-4:30 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$100/member; \$130/non-member. No cash please. 297-3171; fau.edu/lls

10/2 - eMagazines at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 6-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

10/2 - Filmmakers Under The Influence: International Cinema in the Tradition of Alfred Hitchcock with Shelly Isaacs at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every T through 11/21 10-11:30 am. \$60/annual membership;

10/2-8 - Get Your Groove On: A Celebration of the Arts at Pineapple Grove & Artists Alley, Delray Beach. Art displays, family activities, concert, more. Check website for details: Ontheveiledelraybeach.com

Tuesday - 10/3 - US National Security with Dr. Robert G. Rabil at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every T through 11/21 10-11:30 am. \$60/annual membership;

\$100/member; \$130/non-member. No cash accepted. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

10/3 - Ikebana Flower Arrangement: Ikenobo School at Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens, 4000 Morikami Park Rd, Delray Beach. Traditional flower arranging using fresh flowers. Every T through 10/24. Beginners 11am-1pm; Intermediate 1-3 pm. \$70/member; \$80/non-member; + \$80/flower fee. Registration: 495-0233; morikami.org

10/3 - Adult Multi Media Art Class at Intracoastal Park Clubhouse, 2240 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. Water colors, pastel, acrylic; learning design & composition. Age 18+. Every T through 10/31 11:30 am-2 pm. \$60/resident; \$75/non-resident. 742-6221; boynton-beach.org

10/3 - Lost Lives, Lost Art: Nazi Art Theft and the Quest for Justice with Dr. Barbara Falletta at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every T through 10/24 12:30-2 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$50/member; \$65/non-member. No cash. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

10/3 - Boca Raton Garden Club Welcome Back Meeting at Boca Raton Community Center, 150 Crawford Blvd. For members & prospective members. 1 pm. Free. 396-9376; bocaratongardenclub.org

10/3 - United States Citizenship: 100 Questions: Part 1 at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 1-2:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

10/3 - The Human Subject and the Human Condition with Dr. Simon Glynn at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every T through 11/21 3-4:30 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$100/member; \$130/non-member. No cash please. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

10/3 - Jazz: A Listening History with Andrew Loose at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every T through 10/24 7-9 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$50/member; \$65/non-member. No cash. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

10/3-4 - Michael Tsalka: Bachfest! at Lynn University Amarnick-Goldstein Concert Hall, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. \$10-\$20. 237-9000; lynn.tix.com

Wednesday - 10/4 - Objection! Current, Contentious and Confusing Legal Battles with Irving Labovitz, JD at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every W through 11/29 9-10:30 am. \$60/annual membership; \$100/member; \$130/at the door & non-member. No cash please. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

10/4 - Alliance of Delray Residential Associations at South County Civic Center, 16700 Jog Rd, Delray Beach. 1st W 9 am doors open; 9:30 am meeting. Free. 495-9670; allianceofdelray.com

10/4 - How Movies Inform Us About American Politics and Political Debate with Dr. Burton Atkins at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every W through 11/29 11:15 am-12:45 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$100/member; \$130/at the door & non-member. No cash. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

10/4 - ART in the USA: American Art: A Visual Feast for the World with Dr. Terry Lawrence at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every W through 11/29 1:30-3 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$100/member; \$130/non-member. No cash accepted. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

10/4 - Music Americana: Pioneers of Popular Music with Rod MacDonald at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every W through 11/29 4-5:30 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$100/member; \$130/non-member. No cash. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

10/4 - Create Your Own Website 2: Make It Live! at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 6-7:30 pm. Free. 393-7906; bocalibrary.org

10/4 - Adult Silent Painting Party: Theme: ASL I Love You at Boynton Beach Art Center, 125 SE 2nd Ave. Learn to use a slab roller, coil maker, an electric wheel. 6:30-8:30 pm. \$25/resident; \$31/non-resident. 742-6650; boynton-beach.org

10/4 - Florida Atlantic University Research Park 2017 Annual Awards & Entrepreneurship Celebration at The Addison, 2 East Camino Real, Boca Raton. 6:30-9 pm. \$100. 416-6092; research-park.org

10/4-6 - Cafe de Cave at Lynn University Schmidt Family Studio, 3601 N Military Tr, Boca Raton. Students from Lynn's drama program and Conservatory of Music join faculty and staff

to perform; songs and instrumental selections in an intimate cafe setting. Limited seating. W/Th/F 7:30 pm; Th 12:30 pm. \$5/person; free w/ Lynn ID. 237-9000; lynn.edu

Thursday - 10/5 - News of the Week: The Beat Goes On with Frank Cerabino at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every Th through 11/30 10-11:30 am. \$60/annual membership; \$100/member; \$130/non-member. No cash. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

10/5 - Woman Volunteer of the Year Luncheon at Boca Raton Resort & Club, 501 E Camino Real. Presented by Junior League of Boca Raton with fashion show by Saks Fifth Avenue. 10:30 am/reception and raffle; 11:30 am/luncheon. \$95-150. Tables available. 620-2553; wvov@jibr.org

10/5 - Passionate Times: What Sociology Has to Say About Emotion, Ideology, Identity and Social Trends with Dr. Lynn Appleton at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every Th through 11/30 12:30-2 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$100/member; \$130/non-member. Cash no longer accepted. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

10/5 - United States Citizenship: 100 Questions Part 2 at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 1-2:30 pm. Free. 393-7906; bocalibrary.org

10/5 - Crossword Puzzles: The History, the Challenge, the Benefits with Stanley Newman at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Fall One-Time Event Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. 3-4:30 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$30/member; \$35/non-member. Cash no be accepted. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

10/5 - Evening of Artists Talks: New & Now at Armory Art Center, 1700 Parker Ave, West Palm Beach. 6-8 pm. Free. 832-1776; armoryart.org

10/5 - Gallery Talk: Chris Lopez and Scherer & Ouporov: Art School Faculty: 5x5 at Boca Raton Museum of Art, 501 Plaza Real. Limited seating. 6-7 pm. Free w/museum admission. 392-2500; bocamuseum.org

10/5 - Curator's Conversations: Recent Acquisition: Chinese Tea-pot at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. Curators lead insightful discussions about special exhibitions, installations, the Museum Collection. All ages. 6:30 pm. Free. 832-5196; norton.org

10/5 - University Symphony Orchestra Exotic Masterworks at Florida Atlantic University Theatre, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 7 pm. \$10. 800-745-3000; fauevents.com

10/5 - Never Run a Bluff With a Six-Fun: 8 1/2 Classic Western Films with Dr. Kurt F. Stone at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every Th through 11/30 7-9 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$100/member; \$130/non-member. Cash no longer accepted. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

10/5-6 - Revitalizing a Community Garden at Mounts Botanical Garden, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Th 5:30-6:30 pm; F 9-10 am. \$10/member; \$15/non-member (includes both sessions). RSVP: 233-1757; mounts.org

Friday - 10/6 - Canasta Class at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Basic techniques: how to count points, keep score, play of the hand. Couples and singles welcome. Each player required to purchase 4 decks of cards (2 red, 2 blue) + canasta tray, bring to first class. Every F through 10/27 10 am-noon. \$50/resident; \$63/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

10/6 - Civic Engagement: Best Practices for Activism at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 11 am-12:30 pm. Free. 393-7852; bocalibrary.org

10/6 - Adult Multi Media Art Class at Intracoastal Park Clubhouse, 2240 N Federal Hwy, Boynton Beach. Water colors, pastel, acrylic; learning design & composition. Age 18+. Every F through 11/3 11:30 am-2 pm. \$60/resident; \$75/non-resident. 742-6221; boynton-beach.org

10/6 - Anniversary Show and Party at Boynton Beach Senior Center, 1021 S Federal Hwy. 1-3 pm. \$3/advance, \$5/at the door. 742-6570; boynton-beach.org

10/6 - Portraits of Musical Greatness: Biographical Features of World-Famous Opera Stars with Giuseppe Albanese at Florida Atlantic University Friedberg Auditorium, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every F through 12/8 (no class 11/10 & 24). 2-3:30 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$100/member; \$130/non-member. Cash no longer accepted. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

10/6 - Bioethics in Everyday Life with Dr. Carol Pollard-Levy at Florida Atlantic

University, Continuing Education Building 31-D, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. Part of Fall Lecture Series at FAU Lifelong Learning Society. Every F through 12/8 (no class 11/10 & 24). 2:30-4 pm. \$60/annual membership; \$100/member; \$130/non-member. Cash no longer accepted. 297-3171; fau.edu/lis

10/6 - It's A Cat-O-Strophic Event at Flamingo Clay Glass Metal Stone Studio & Gallery, 15 S J St, Lake Worth. Runs through 10/18. 6-9 pm. 588-8344; flamingoclaystudio.org

10/6 - Free Friday Concert: Turnstiles (Tribute to Billy Joel) part of Free Friday Concerts at Old School Square Pavilion, 51 N Swinton Ave. Gourmet food trucks, cash bar. Bring lawn chairs, blankets; rental chairs available. No pets or outside food/beverage. Weather permitting. 6:30 pm gates open; 7:30 pm concert starts. Free admission/donations appreciated. 243-9722; oldschoolsquare.org

10/6 - Beginner Piano for Adults at Rutherford Community Center, 2000 Yamato Rd, Boca Raton. Hal Leonard EZ Play Today method using the book *60 Favorite Songs to Play with 3 Chords*. Bring a keyboard to class. Every F through 12/15 6:30-7:30 pm. \$80/resident; \$100/non-resident. 367-7035; myboca.us

10/6 - Sotto Voce by Nilo Cruz at Florida Atlantic University Theatre Lab at Parliament Hall, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. \$20. 800-745-3000; fauevents.com

10/6 - Movies in the Park at Ocean Avenue Amphitheatre, 129 E Ocean Ave, Boynton Beach. Food/beverages available for purchase. 1st F through 6/2018. 8 pm. Free. 600-9097; catchboynton.com

10/6-8 - The Amorous Ambassador - An American Farce by Michael Parker at The Delray Beach Playhouse, 950 NW 9th St. Runs through 10/22. W-Sat 8 pm; Sat/Sun 2 pm. \$30. 272-1281 x4; delraybeachplayhouse.com

10/6-8 - La Cage aux Folles at Kravis Center Rinker Playhouse, 701 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach. Runs through 8/6. T-Sat 7:30 pm, W/Sat/Sun 1:30 pm. \$45. 832-7469; kravis.org

Saturday - 10/7 - 2017 End Hunger Walk starts at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 211 Trinity Pl, West Palm Beach. Benefits CROS Ministries. 8 am-noon. Collect pledges + a can of tuna or jar of peanut butter. 233-9009; crosministries.org

10/7 - The Joy of the Spike: Orchid Care: Hands-On Repotting at Mounts Botanical Garden Pavilion, 531 N Military Tr, West Palm Beach. Bring in 3 average size plants (nothing larger than a 6" pot; no overgrown monsters; nothing in bloom). 10 am-1 pm. \$125/member; \$135/non-member. RSVP: 233-1757; mounts.org

10/7 - Going Hybrid: The Lyric Essay with Monica Isabel Restrepo at Old School Square, 51 N Swinton Ave, Delray Beach. Poetry workshop. 12:30 pm. \$10. palmbeachpoetryfestival.org

10/7 - Tools & Tips for Meatless Monday Meals at Boca Raton Public Library, 400 NW 2nd Ave. Adults. 1-2:30 pm. Free. 393-7906; bocalibrary.org

10/7 - Black Movie Experience (BMX) at Spady Cultural Heritage Museum, 170 NE 5th Ave, Delray Beach. Culturally curated films. 1st Sat 1-4 pm. Free/member; \$10/non-member limited seating; RSVP: 279-8883; spadymuseum.com

10/7 - East & West of the War by Nilo Cruz at Florida Atlantic University Theatre Lab at Parliament Hall, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 2 pm. \$20. 800-745-3000; fauevents.com

10/7 - Book+Art Discussion: Invisible Cities + Epigraph, Damascus at Norton Museum of Art, 1451 S Olive Ave, West Palm Beach. 2 pm. Free. 832-5196; norton.org

10/7 - Alice N by Nilo Cruz at Florida Atlantic University Theatre Lab at Parliament Hall, 777 Glades Rd, Boca Raton. 7:30 pm. \$20. 800-745-3000; fauevents.com

10/7-8 - Annual Fall Palm and Cycad Sale and Festival at Mounts Botanical Garden, 531 N. Military Trail, West Palm Beach. Sat 9 am-4 pm; Sun 9 am-3 pm. \$5/admission. 386-7812; palmbeachpalmcycadsociety.com

10/7-8 - Art Al Fresco at Lake Worth Beach, 10 S Ocean Blvd. Presented by Lake Worth Art League. 11 am-7 pm. lwartleague.org

10/7-9 - USTA Columbus Day Open at Delray Beach Tennis Center, 201 W Atlantic Ave; Delray Beach Swim & Tennis Club, 2350 Jaeger Dr; Boca West Country Club, 20583 Boca West Dr; The Club at Boca Pointe, 7144 Boca Pointe Dr; Wycliffe Country Club, 4650 Wycliffe Country Club Blvd, Lake Worth. Over 250 of the best juniors in the country compete in Boys' & Girls' 12s, 14s, 16s & 18s age division; one of the USTA's largest nationally sanctioned events. Draw finalized on 10/4; all starting times posted online. Singles format. Matches begin at 8 am. Spectator admission free. Schedules/draw information: 330-6003; yellowtennisball.com/columbus-day-open

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